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Education budget gives no free rides

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Taxpayers, parents, students, teachers and other board staff will all share a bigger role in paying for education in the Highlands.

In the end, no single group was given a free pass by school board trustees who have finally put a stop to a six-week roller coaster ride by hammering out a budget.

Drastic measures such as school closures and a four-day school week that were being considered when the board faced a \$1.2-million funding cut from the province were averted.

But other steps trustees approved to bring the \$17.2-million budget in line with last year's spending and absorb an estimated \$325,000 in lost provincial revenue will still mean big changes to the county's school system.

Taxpayers will have to hand over 2.2 per cent more in education taxes in 1996 than they did last year.

Elementary school teachers and board office staff, including administrators, agreed to have their wages rolled back by 2.2 per cent for one year, beginning

in September.

Parents will have to shoulder a greater share of the costs of educating their children, paying for school supplies, field trips and some services.

Students will no longer receive door-to-door bus service. As of September, every child may be asked to walk up to two kilometres to meet their bus.

And while the changes are large, they are far less severe than early proposals parents, educators and board members feared would decimate the system.

"It's given us some breathing room to carry on. If we had had to take another \$900,000 out of the system, it would have been pretty devastating," said business administrator Jim Bradley.

The budget trustees approved Tuesday night — just hours before the province's deadline expired — will see the board spend \$17.2-million this year, roughly \$90,000 less than it spent in 1995.

Cost cutting measures the board put on hold last month after Haliburton-Victoria MPP Chris Hodgson announced a

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What will we bid?



There were some serious negotiations at the log auction on Hwy. 118 on Saturday. Here, four-year-old Jake Heyblom discusses the finer merits of this log with his dad, Duncan. There are more photos and a story on page 25.

Bark Lake deal delayed

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The closing date that doesn't seem to want to close has been left ajar again for what the province says will probably be another three weeks.

Belleville businessman Peter Zuuring is now set to take possession of the former Bark Lake Leadership Centre at the end of May.

Zuuring has far-reaching plans to turn Bark lake into a combination English language school, multi-media centre, wilderness experience camp and corporate retreat.

He was originally supposed to take possession of the 545-acre site April 1, but paperwork for the sale was bogged down by the recent civil service strike, said

the government's real estate arm.

The Ontario Realty Corporation set a new closing date for April 30.

But once again, the province and Zuuring have decided to postpone the closing date while they try to get all the necessary paperwork in order, said Vince Catalfo, who is handling the sale of the property for the ORC.

"The strike did slow things down and we had hoped to tidy things up ... by the end of April, but unfortunately that didn't happen. So we mutually agreed with the purchaser to extend the closing date until the third week or last week of May," he said on Thursday.

Catalfo has said rumours that Zuuring is trying to back out of

the deal are not true and the deal "is still a go."

Zuuring was at Bark Lake on Saturday reportedly conducting second interviews from a recent two-day job fair he held at Gooderham's community centre to try to find candidates to fill about 50 positions.

More than 400 people showed up to apply for the expected jobs, many of them willing to wait up to six hours for interviews.

Prior to the job fair, Zuuring said he hopes to have an English as a Second Language school for foreign students up and running at Bark Lake by July 1.

Telephone messages The Echo left for Zuuring at his computer software company in Belleville were not returned.

Police to recognize pair for aid at crash

by JODY LINDBECK
Staff Reporter

Two people who assisted at the scene of a fatal car accident late last month in Snowdon are to be nominated for commendations.

Constable John McDougall of the Minden OPP said-nearby resident Betty Johnson and passing driver Cliff Harding of Highland Towing assisted at the scene of the single motor vehicle accident.

Denis LeBlanc, 72 of the Haliburton area, was driving his 1989 Oldsmobile on Hwy 121 south of Minden at approximately 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 28.

Const. McDougall said Mr. LeBlanc's car went out of control, entered the west ditch area and rolled several times. There were no other vehicles involved in the accident.

Mr. LeBlanc, the sole occu-

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Brrr ... Young girls take plunge in lake

Warning: The following story is not appropriate for anyone older than 14. Adults should not be in the company of other adults when they read it... After taking part in Sunday's Journey for Sight, a bunch of young girls decided they were hot enough to go swimming - even though the ice had melted just a few days previously. Danielle and Lindsay Casey, Jodie Sipe and Courtney Hartin donned their bathing suits and went for a plunge in Lake Kashagawigamog. "We all went right under," says Danielle, whose teeth

weren't even chattering after ducking in and out three times. Is this record? Not quite. Last week Danielle and Lindsay went for an even briefer swim, not getting their hair wet and trying to avoid the ice. Brrr....

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Masonic Lodge in Minden (Arcadia), the Victoria-Haliburton district association is hosting a large gathering this Saturday night at the Haliburton Legion. Guests from all across Ontario, including the provincial

Grand Master, will be there to extend best wishes and continued success to the Minden lodge.

How many opportunities do you get to wear fancy

Firefighters Hall. The guest speaker is Det. Staff Sgt. Barry Elliot of the anti-rackets branch of the North Bay OPP. Everyone is welcome.

receiving a copy of the study results.

Sneaker Day kicks off in Minden at 11 a.m. on May 17. Rediscover the pleasures of walking for your health by joining the walkers in celebration of SummerActive '96. Groups leave the Minden Gazebo (downtown beside the Gull River bridge) every 15 minutes from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wheelchairs welcome, it's free and there's no competition.

A former Haliburton resident is searching for other parents who are interested in helping to pay for and manage a private group home for three or four adult children with special needs. Barb Debler has been taking care of her 21-year-old daughter Dawn, who has Rett Syndrome and needs 24-hour care, at home. If interested in establishing a group home, please contact her at (705) 741-2249 or call Jennifer O'Neill, a Parent Outreach Worker for Adult Protective Services at (705) 749-6693.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pineridge district

of the CNIB is hosting a vision services and volunteer appreciation day at the Haliburton Legion today (May 7) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Members of the public are welcome to come and have coffee, meet the CNIB staff and find out more about their services. There will also be a demonstration and sale of technical aids. The CNIB will also be recognizing their volunteers from Haliburton County for their great support over the year.

Some of Canada's top soloists will join Syd Birrell and the Peterborough Singers for their outstanding presentation of St. Mathew Passion by J.S. Bach. The performance, which has involved months of exhaustive practice, is May 10 at George Street United Church at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$8 for students and are available at the Trent University Bookstore, Warne's Music, Musicland and Hunter West Gallery.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Lou Consky, who is convalescing in a Toronto Hospital.

HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

News about people and events in Haliburton County

hats in Haliburton? Well, on May 10, the fancier the better at Rails' End Gallery. The Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts is sponsoring a Spring Bonnet Tea, with prizes for the outstanding bonnets (and laughter and refreshments for everyone else.) The cost is \$2.50 for adults and children are free and the time is from 2:30 to 4:30. Let your creativity blossom...

Senior citizens are often the targets of telephone fraud, but everyone is a potential victim unless they learn how to spot the tell-tale signs. To help local residents protect themselves from phone fraud, the Stanhope-Carnarvon Police Support Association is hosting a free information seminar on Thursday, May 9 at the Stanhope

Patrons of the Minden Corner Store will be saddened to hear of the passing of a former owner. Heinz Steumpel, who had been living in Norland, passed away last Wednesday at Ross Memorial Hospital. Condolences are extended to his family.

A study conducted by the Motherisk Program at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto is trying to determine the consequences of nausea and vomiting during pregnancy on women's health. This research concerns all women, including women in this area. For more information and/or to ask for an interview with Dr. Gideon Koren, please call Patricia Vandal at 1-800-977-6362 ext. 200. Please feel free to call if you are also interested in

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May day! May day!

Winter weary residents rescued when ice on Head Lake finally melts away

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The day after the ice melted on Head Lake, the sun came out, albeit for a few brief minutes. Is this a good omen? Does it mean summer will indeed return to the Highlands?

Every man, woman and child certainly hopes so.

Thanks to the diligent observations of our official ice watcher, Harold Bannon, we know that the ice completely disappeared from the north-eastern shore of Head Lake some time between seven and eight on the morning of Wednesday, May 1.

"It went out awful funny," says the long-time Head Lake resident who repeatedly toured the lake in search of any remnants of ice. "That wind you see - it didn't go out by the museum till late Tuesday night and there was just a bit in the lake at the bog (just past Sir Sandford Fleming

College.)"

Mr. Bannon checked at 6 a.m. on Wednesday morning, the ice was still there. He checked at 7. The ice was still there. By his eight o'clock reconnaissance, there was only a small piece of ice on the shore, not in the lake.

Instead of April showers, we had April snowfalls, dashing everyone's hopes for a quick end to one of the longest winters most can remember.

It was beginning to seem as if the ice and snow which has blanketed the Highlands since last October would never go away. Instead of April showers, we had April snowfalls, dashing everyone's hopes for a quick end to one of the longest winters

most people can remember.

Indeed, if anyone had chosen May 1 for the ice going off Head Lake last year, they would have been laughed at. But Jim Richards and Linda Sisco are having the last laugh today. Out of the 56 people who submitted their guesses to The Echo, they were the only ones to correctly choose May 1. All in all, there were only seven people who chose May at all. Everyone else had their hopes set on April.

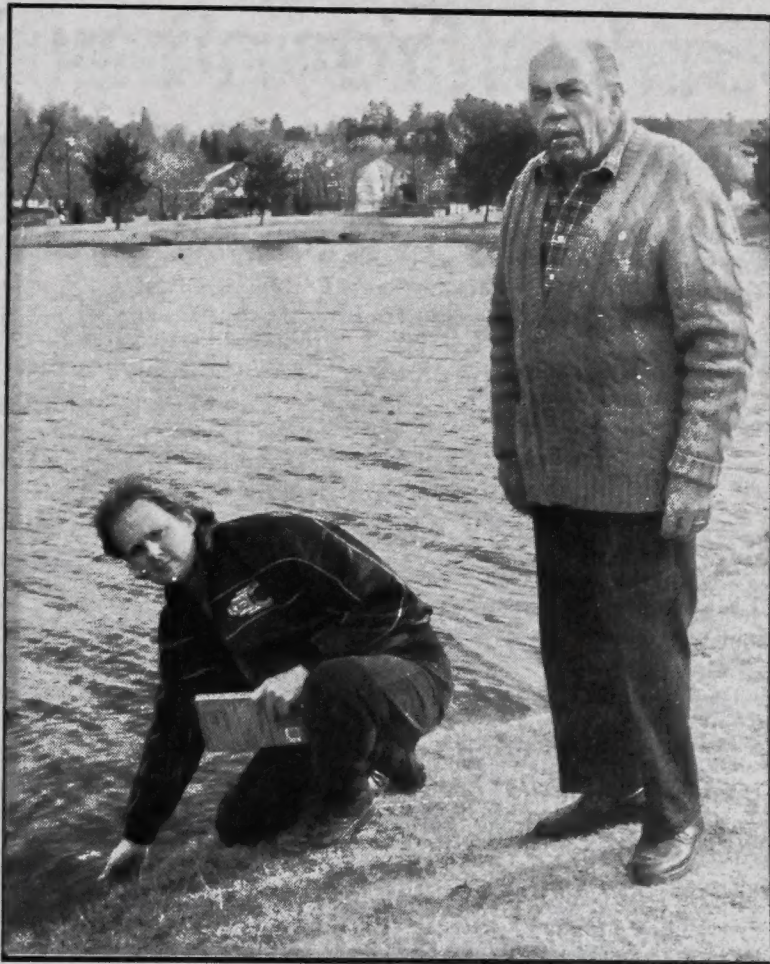
With two winners, we put their names behind our backs and had Jody Lindbeck, our new reporter from Wagga Wagga, pick the winner. Jim Richards won the top prize: a copy of "Up North: A Guide to Ontario's Wilderness from Blackflies to Northern Lights" and a year's free subscription to The Echo. Mrs. Sisco will be reading The Echo free of charge for the next year, too.

Back at his business, UAP auto parts in Haliburton, Mr. Richards will likely have to lend the book to employee Dave Cober. It was Mr. Cober who predicted the ice would melt either May 1 or 2. Since you're only allowed one guess, Mr. Cober took the 2nd and gave Mr. Richards the 1st. Let's hope this generosity isn't forgotten.

By the way, we've also given Jody Lindbeck a copy of the book. As an Australian, she's new to that other sure sign of spring: the arrival of blackflies and mosquitoes. We've pointed out the pertinent chapters, including the 6 cm-high, life-size drawing of our old friend, the blackfly. As the book describes, "their bite is quite unlike the precise pinprick of a mosquito. Instead, they rip into the flesh with jagged, scissorlike jaws and slurp from a blood-filled bowl in the open wound."

Yummy. Doesn't that description almost make you yearn for winter?

Almost.



GONE AT LAST: Jim Richards (left) won *The Echo's* contest to guess when the ice would melt on Head Lake with his choice of May 1. Here, he tests the lake's still frigid temperature as the paper's official ice watcher, Harold Bannon, looks on. Richards received a copy of "Up North: A guide to Ontario's Wilderness from Blackflies to Northern Lights" and a subscription to *The Echo* for his efforts.



HELPING OUT: George and Pat Grant, who celebrated their 50th anniversary last week, asked friends and family to bring food items for the 4Cs to their anniversary party rather than gifts. Their generous guests donated 10 boxes full of all kinds of non-perishable goods. Above, the long-wed couple gives the food boxes to Violet Andrus of the 4Cs.

Coroner still considering inquest into wolf attack

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Ontario's chief coroner hopes to decide within the next two weeks whether to call an inquest into last month's fatal wolf attack on a worker at Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve.

Dr. James Young will make the decision based on his own office's findings in the case, plus the investigations of Minden OPP and the Ministry of Labour.

"The investigation is still ongoing and we're hoping to be in a position to make a decision possibly this week," he said Monday. "It won't be until at least late this week or possibly next week before we know for sure what we're

going to do."

An autopsy has been completed on the body of 24-year-old Tricia Wyman, who was killed by a pack of five timber wolves while alone in their 15-acre compound on April 18.

However, the coroner's office is not yet releasing the findings of the autopsy.

Wyman had begun her job as manager of Haliburton Forest's newly built wolf interpretation centre just four days before she was killed in the unprecedented attack.

It's possible the coroner's office may opt to make recommendations based on its own investigation in an effort to avoid similar deaths, rather than calling a formal inquest, said Dr. Young.

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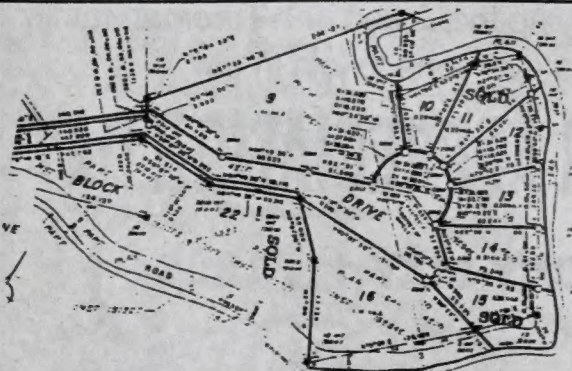
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Pair's efforts allow emergency workers to move man to hospital

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pant of the vehicle, was thrown from the car through the rear window.

The force of the accident is believed to have caused the driver's seat to break and allow Mr. LeBlanc, who had been wearing a seatbelt, to be thrown free.

He was taken to Minden hospital, in a critical condition, and then transferred to St Michael's Hospital in Toronto, where he later died.

Const. McDougall said the cause of the accident had not been determined, although a mechanical default or a physical cause, such as a heart attack or stroke, had been ruled out.

One factor which Const. McDougall said could have played a part in the accident was high speed.

Const. McDougall said Mrs. Johnson

heard the screech of tires and a "bang" from her home and went to investigate.

After finding Mr. LeBlanc and his car, Mrs. Johnson went for help and flagged down Mr. Harding, who had been driving past.

The two of them called emergency workers and provided assistance to Mr. LeBlanc.

Const. McDougall said without the assistance provided by Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Harding, Mr. LeBlanc, who was found face down in roadside water, would have died at the accident scene.

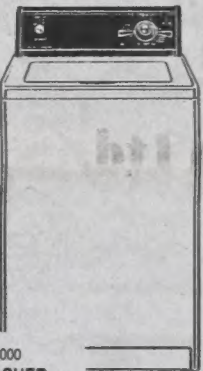
Mr. LeBlanc died in St Michael's about 9.30 on the night of the accident, due to the extent of his injuries.

Const. McDougall described the actions of Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Harding as "heroic".

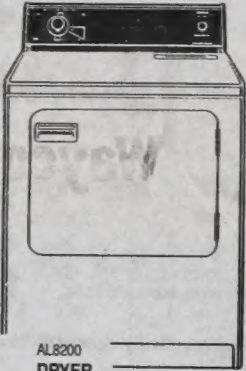
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Mingles restaurant has new owners. Larry and Julie Hartin, pictured with daughters Courtney and Ashley, took over the business last week. The Hartins' first move since taking over has been to extend its trading hours. Having wanted to own an ice-cream parlour for some time, the Hartins are enthusiastic about their new venture.

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Company questions window contract

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Anson, Hindon and Minden council's April 25 meeting.

A construction firm that submitted the lowest bid to install auditorium windows at Minden's arena is questioning why it was not selected by council for the job.

Parry Sound-based W.S. Morgan Construction Ltd. bid \$10,500 on the project, but council selected the second lowest bidder, Nymac Northland Construction of Cobocok, to complete the work at a price of \$11,577.

Public works superintendent Clayton Cameron said it was clearly stated in advertisements that the municipality would not necessarily select the lowest tender.

Reeve Jeanne Anthon said council chose to go with Nymac Northland over the lowest bidder because the lower tender was incomplete.

"We hired an engineer to help us analyze the tenders and it was his determination that the tender (from W.S. Morgan Construction) was not complete," she said.

Councillors took exception to a two-page letter from the company that seems to imply the municipality may have chosen the next higher bid because it would receive "benefits or other payments" from the company it picked.

In a series of questions into the municipality's decision, the company's manager asks, "What steps were taken to investi-

MINDEN COUNCIL BRIEFS

gate the relationships of the various parties involved in the process? What consideration was given to the 'benefits' or other payments which may result from council's decision to award the project to other than the low bidder (sic)?"

"It sounds like he's trying to threaten us and I take exception to that," said deputy-reeve Jerry Rome.

The company also asks council to refund the money it spent to prepare its tender bid.

But councillors scoffed at the request. "It's just silly," said councillor Sinclair Nesbitt.

"That's the cost of doing business," agreed councillor Grant Ploord.

Cameron said he would send the company a letter in return trying to answer their questions.

"Make it as brief as possible," said Rome. "I wouldn't waste a lot of time on it."

No sharing

Four neighbours who have been taking turns bringing each others' garbage to the dump each week are worried it will no longer be affordable to continue the practice under the municipality's new waste disposal by-law.

According to the new regulations, each person dropping off waste and recyclables can take five bags of household waste to the dump per visit free of charge. There is a \$1 charge per bag for

any additional bags.

The four neighbours, who wrote to council, say they would have more than the five-bag limit before the user fee comes into effect.

They asked if it would be permissible for the person making the dump run to bring his neighbours' cards to cover any additional garbage.

But councillors decided to stick with the by-law in order to avoid any problems.

"I can't help but feel that if they do the proper separation, there won't be as much garbage," said Reeve Anthon.

Search & Rescue

Council approved a donation of \$200 to the Haliburton County Search and Rescue Support Team to go towards the purchase of pagers for volunteers.

Members of council said volunteer groups are becoming more important as levels of government find themselves trying to get by with less money.

"It would be nice to think if we had a missing child in the area that we have a group together to pull together a proper search," said Anthon.

Museum curator

Marvella Smith, a frequent demonstrator of rug-hooking and quilting at Minden's museum, has been hired as curator of the facility.

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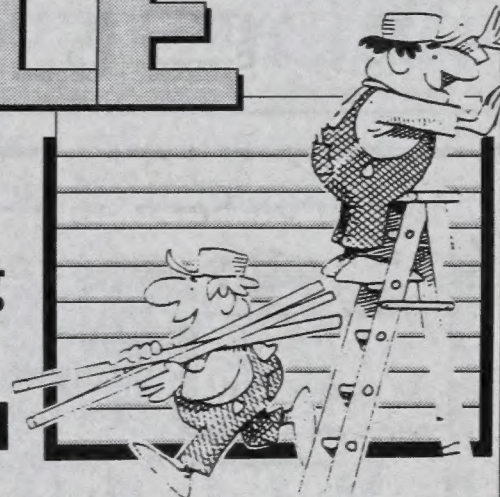
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Budget 'a good balance'

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\$1.2-million cut planned for the board had been capped at about \$325,000 will go ahead as planned under the budget.

Totalling about \$625,000, the cuts were designed to bring the board's preliminary budget of \$17.9 million down to last year's spending level of about \$17.3-million.

The cuts include:

- A 10 per cent pay cut for supply teachers on short-term assignments and educational assistants, secretaries and custodians hired on a casual basis;
- Chopping spending on school instructional supplies by about 20 per cent to \$389,000;
- Cutting trustees' monthly honoraria by 10 per cent to \$450;
- Eliminating a \$30,000 contract with Kinark Child and Family Services to provide psychological testing and counselling to students;
- Reducing transportation costs by up to \$200,000 per year by requiring students of all ages to walk up to two kilometres to meet their school buses.

The 2.2 per cent tax hike and

2.2 per cent pay rollback elementary teachers and board office staff accepted will help absorb an estimated funding cut from the province of about \$325,000, said Bradley.

The board is also banking on its high school teachers and CUPE employees — custodians, educational assistants and secretaries — to take pay cuts.

Chief negotiator Cheryl Murdoch said the budget assumes the two employee groups will accept the same one-year rollback as other staff.

Board chairwoman Wendy Ladurantaye said the education tax increase will translate to a hike of about \$11 for the average household.

The increase is slightly lower than last year's rate of inflation, which was 2.4 per cent, she said.

"It is my own feeling that we've struck a good balance between our desire to preserve the high quality of education to our children and our desire to be considerate to the taxpayers of Haliburton County," Ladurantaye said.

Only one trustee voted against the budget.

Dysart et al trustee Chip

Trueman, who asked for a recorded vote, said in a later interview he was hoping to see the board bring in a budget of about \$16.9-million.

"What we need to do in Haliburton County is get our per pupil costs down closer to the provincial average," he said.

Haliburton's board spends about \$400 more per student on education than the average board in Ontario which spends about \$6,900 per student annually, he said.

Trueman said he wanted the board to cut its budget by tapping into its reserves, cutting administration costs further and looking into sharing services — such as libraries — with the county.

Other proposals, including privatizing maintenance, moving to a four-day week and shortening the school year by a week, may also be worth examining further, he said.

While he voted against the overall budget, Trueman said he was in favour of the cost-cutting measures it contained.

"I was voting against the figure," he explained. "I wasn't

voting against the concessions and co-operation we've had already from board employees."

Before their vote, two ratepayers made brief presentations urging trustees to hold the line on taxes.

"You guys have to be more accountable for the money of ours that you spend," said Jim Hunt. "If you're not prepared to do that, you should resign and let someone else do it."



CUTTING A DEAL: The school board's chief negotiator, Cheryl Murdoch, at left, and her committee worked with union heads Dave Kennedy and Chris Lynd to negotiate a one-time 2.2% salary rollback for elementary teachers in exchange for job security.

Two school unions reject 2.2% pay cut

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Two union groups representing more than half of the school board's employees rejected a proposal last week to help the board trim its budget by taking a one-year salary rollback of 2.2 per cent.

While elementary teachers and board office staff agreed to take pay cuts, high school teachers and CUPE employees — including custodians, secretaries and educational assistants — say they need more time to work out contracts with the board.

"We want to follow the normal pattern of negotiations," said Louise Cooper, president of the union for secondary school teachers. "What transpired last week was not negotiations ... It was an offer, but it wasn't negotiations."

Throughout the week before trustees passed their \$17.2-million budget, board negotiators met with employee groups in an attempt to convince them to take one-time pay cuts for the 1996-97 school year.

With only a few days to go until the April 30 budget deadline, the groups were under intense pressure to decide

whether to accept the deal or risk layoffs.

Cooper and CUPE president Lynn Raback say their members want to work with the board, but they didn't want to negotiate new collective agreements under such tight time constraints.

"We're prepared to expedite things and try to hurry them along, but we want to follow the normal procedures for negotiations," said Cooper.

Raback said the 60 full-time CUPE employees working for the board are in a different position than teachers because they are all paid hourly.

"My concern was that our earning power isn't as great," she said. "A salaried employee earns an annual salary, but we earn an hourly rate for just 10 months or 11 months of the year."

The board's chief negotiator, Lutterworth trustee Cheryl Murdoch, is confident the two hold-out unions will ultimately accept rollbacks in upcoming negotiations.

In fact, the budget the board struck last week assumes all employee groups will work for 2.2 per cent less during the 1996-97 school year, she said.

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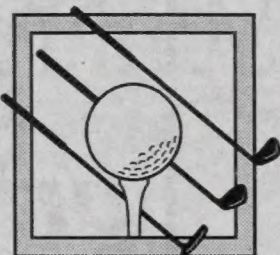
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Teachers take salary cut to avoid pink slips

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Rather than watch their co-workers join the unemployment line, Haliburton's 105 elementary school teachers have chosen to see their own paycheques cut.

The teachers accepted a one-year salary rollback of 2.2 per cent in return for a guarantee from the board that it would not lay off any of them to reduce its 1996 budget.

Had the two union groups representing the teachers not accepted the decrease, the board would have had to eliminate the equivalent of 6.5 full-time teaching positions, said negotiators.

"Our membership felt preserving jobs was a priority for this year," said Chris Lynd, president of the union for female elementary teachers.

All employees at the board office, three administrators and six non-unionized support staff, agreed to rollbacks of the same size last week.

But the board's two other employee groups — high school teachers and CUPE employees, including custodians, secretaries and education assistants — rejected the salary decrease in earlier meetings with the board's negotiating committee.

The board hopes to convince the unions to take the one-time rollback in upcoming negotiations.

Elementary teacher union

heads Dave Kennedy and Lynd said a strong majority of their memberships voted in favor of the pay cut last Monday in the interest of preserving jobs and maintaining working conditions.

For most teachers, who saw their salaries frozen for three years under the Social Contract, the rollback adds up to a loss of between \$1,000 and \$1,400.

"It's a significant amount of money," said Lynd.

She and Kennedy said they aren't worried elementary teachers have set a dangerous precedent for future years, should the board again face tough financial times.

In addition to job security, elementary teachers also negotiated three other important clauses dictating class sizes, coverage for absent teachers and preparation time in their new collective bargaining agreement.

The board recently adopted a policy to call in supply teachers only after regular classroom teachers have been absent for more than two days.

Until a supply is called, other teachers are being asked to cover the absent teacher's class during their preparation time.

Under their new contract, the board now has to call in a supply for absent elementary teachers after one full day away from work.

At the high school, the board's original policy of internal coverage for two days is still in effect.

The elementary contract also sets the maximum number of students per teacher at a ratio of 16.4:1.

However, that doesn't mean there will only be 16 or 17 students in each class. The pupil-teacher ratio includes all qualified teaching staff at a school, including those who don't work directly in the classroom, such as librarians, guidance counselors and administrative staff.

As well, elementary teachers have been guaranteed their daily allotment of time to prepare lessons, mark work and perform other school-related tasks will remain intact.

Board chairwoman Wendy Ladurantaye praised members of the two unions for making a sacrifice "under incredible time pressure" to protect the quality of education offered at county schools.

"I look at these groups as heroes," she said. "They're very integral parts of our community. They affect so many people and they said here that they value their communities."

Because the community is so tightly knit, it would have been "totally devastating" for the board to hand out pink slips to its teaching staff, said Murdoch.

"We feel we're basically in this together. It makes me feel very good that we've got an employee group that is willing to shoulder some of the (board's) financial burden."

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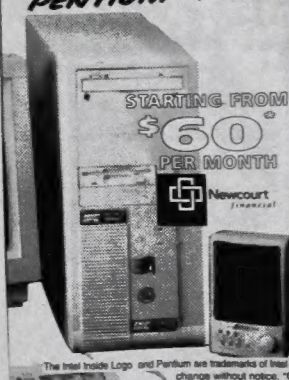
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Don't give up, students tell Haliburton Forest

by SUE CARR
HHSS Co-Op Student

Students at Wilberforce school are questioning the death of 24-year old Tricia Wyman, the young woman who was fatally mauled by wolves at The Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve last month.

The students in Grades 4, 5 and 6, had visited the fenced wolf compound just two weeks before the attack, and were shocked to hear that the animals they had just learned about, would do such a thing.

The classes have been studying the attack, with visits from

renowned wildlife expert and author R.D. Lawrence, and a bulletin board to hold cutout reports from local newspapers, as well as articles from the *Toronto Star*.

The students wonder what Wyman was doing in the compound by herself, and while shocked and saddened about her death, are also deeply touched by the subsequent shooting of the wolves.

One student writes, "When I heard about the girl, I was pretty upset. I couldn't believe what I had heard. I got really upset when I heard that all five wolves were killed."

"As soon as I got home one day from school, my mom told me what happened. It struck me hard like a bullet," student Rachel Outram writes.

Some students even have strong opinions on why this tragedy occurred.

"My dad thought somebody could have murdered her and threw her in with the wolves," says Grade 4 student Leigha Johnston. "I thought the same at first."

David Arsenaault thinks that the reason the wolves attacked her "is because she was wearing strong, strong perfume."

(The scent of perfume or a

menstruating female can have an effect on wolves, and could possibly have made the pregnant Alpha female in the compound feel threatened or challenged.)

The Wilberforce students feel that the wolf compound is important for their educational needs, and despite the killing, hope to see new wolves back in the future.

"They should at least try to bring some more wolves back, because when I went there, I learned more than I learn at school in a month," writes Grade 6 student Dale Brennan.

"By putting those wolves in God's hands, Canada has less wolves again. I think that Dave Bishop should not give up," says Evan Norrish, a Grade 4 student. "Haliburton Forest is a

good place. Tricia Wyman just was at the wrong place at the wrong time."

Many of the students feel terribly for Wyman and her family.

Audrina Townsend writes, "I feel sorry for Tricia Wyman. I never knew her, but still, it's a shame for her to die at the age of 24."

"Wilberforce school is sorry about the accident," Norrish concludes.

And many of the students feel sorry for the wolves, and for Dave Bishop (Haliburton Forest's education co-ordinator) and Peter Schleifenbaum (the owner of Haliburton Forest) as well.

Kathryn Foulds writes, "And now we will never hear the great howl, watch the playful pups, see the wonderful thing of Chaska and his pack."

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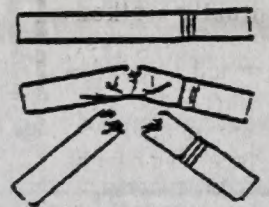
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Call of the Wild:

Wilberforce students feel drawn to the stories of Ron and Sharon Lawrence

by JODY LINDBECK
Staff Reporter

It was a lesson the students at Wilberforce Elementary School are unlikely to forget.

Renowned author and naturalist R.D. (Ron) Lawrence and his wife Sharon visited the school recently to talk with students from Grades 4, 5 and 6, who have been studying wolves.

Already familiar with the Lawrences' work and Mr. Lawrence's books, the children were anxious to have answers to a myriad of questions.

Mr. Lawrence told the students he was interested in the environment as a whole, and not just wolves, as many people assumed.

With a twinkle in his eye, Mr. Lawrence warned the youngsters that if people annoyed him, he would bite, before explaining how his interest in wolves was born.

It was in 1955 that Mr. Lawrence found himself surrounded by a pack of seven to nine wolves while he was chopping wood in the Ontario wilderness. Expecting to be killed, Mr. Lawrence eventually walked through the ring of wolves, armed with an axe and a stick.

He was not harmed, and returned to the site of the incident some three hours later with a rifle. It was then Mr. Lawrence discovered the carcass of a deer and realised that rather than attempting to hurt him, the wolves had been trying to "bluff" him into moving away from their food.

It was this incident which sparked Mr. Lawrence's interest in wolves. In the years since, he has studied 53 wolf packs.

The Wilberforce children were anxious to talk to the Lawrences, asking questions on a variety of subjects.

In answer to the first question from a student, Mr. Lawrence told his audience he had written 29 books, with another one just

finished and two more under way. (A book review will soon appear in The Echo.) Later he told the group he had also written two fiction books.

The students' next question concerned the death of Tricia Wyman, who was killed recently by a pack of captive timber wolves at Hailburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve.

Mr. Lawrence said he did not know why the attack occurred and he didn't think anyone would ever know. The event was tragic for Miss Wyman and her family, he said but also for the wolves, which were later shot.

On a happier note, Mr. Lawrence told the children about some of the many animals he and his wife have cared for and befriended. In addition to wolves, there have been hybrid wolves, squirrels, raccoons, deer, moose, skunks, foxes, lynx

and snowshoe hares.

When asked what animals lived inside with him, Mr. Lawrence promptly jested that it was only his wife. Mrs. Lawrence told the laughing children she was her husband's "favourite animal".

The students took the opportunity to ask the Lawrences about some of the animals Mr. Lawrence has featured in his books and to inquire about his source of inspiration.

But the questions were not just about the Lawrences' love of nature. The children were anxious to learn more about how the couple met. When Mr. Lawrence told the children he and his wife had been married for 22 years (it was actually 23), Mrs. Lawrence took over the story.

She said they had met through her neighbour, a cartoonist who knew Mr. Lawrence at the news-



GOOD STORY TELLERS: After devoting their lives to the study and protection of nature, Ron and Sharon Lawrence's stories thrilled the young students.

paper where he was working. Mrs. Lawrence was teaching in Toronto at the time.

Mrs. Lawrence told the students about her decision to drive her own car on her first date, to ensure a means of escape if the evening was unsuccessful.

Instead, Mrs. Lawrence found herself driving her future husband home, since he had travelled to their date via the subway. That night Mr. Lawrence

asked for her telephone number.

Taking over the story again, Mr. Lawrence said he telephoned his future wife some three weeks after their date and told her he intended to marry her. That was in October, and they were married by December.

Talk of romance aside, Mr. Lawrence once again steered the conversation back to wolves, sharing more of his knowledge with his rapt audience.

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Editorial

Time for praise

IT'S NOT OFTEN THAT THIS editorial space is used to congratulate the board of education for its budget. As most taxpayers fully realize, the board has been responsible for most of the tax hikes over the past few years. Although grants have been cut, board spending has also increased over and above the previous year's spending.

Not so any more. And since this space has been used to criticize the board, let us also take time to applaud its courage and determination in coming to terms with a potential crisis.

Trustees were given a rude form of shock treatment when they thought they were losing a whopping \$1.2-million in provincial funding. There was no way to hide such a dramatic loss — and no way taxpayers were willing to pick up the entire slack. And so trustees, administrators and teachers started to re-think the way they deliver education in Haliburton County. Painful though the process might have been, it made everyone realize what was important and what was expendable.

Today they are to be congratulated for coming in with a 2.2% tax increase. It's a compromise between retaining the integrity of the local school system and reducing everything to "the bottom line." Knowing that they had the support of many parents who did not want to see any cuts at all, the board balanced those desires with the contradictory expectations of the other people footing the bill. Some people on both sides will be unhappy, but on the whole, the board did the best job for the most people.

At the same time, there's something strange when you start to read all the stories about how the school board and local municipalities are coping with the budget cuts. Oddly enough, when you read about the changes, those changes seem like common sense, not draconian or cut-throat at all.

For instance (and this is an instance which may get us into some hot water), the board is saying the students may have to walk up to two kilometres before they are met by the bus. Many families live on the county's back roads — roads which are not zoned for school bus pick-up. Yet when governments seemed flush, rules were broken and habits were set. Today, everyone expects bus service. Even in Haliburton village, sometimes a bus would stop three times — in one block! Maybe the kids didn't demand such door-to-door service, but it was given to them and of course, many families then thought it was their due.

So while we had kids standing at the end of their driveway, the school board was having to implement a program called Quality Daily Physical Education. The premise — and it's a correct one — is that kids need more exercise. Schools are now expected to take on the additional responsibility of making sure they get it, cutting in on the time to be spent on such things as English, math and history. But if the children were walking to meet their school bus, wouldn't that be exercise enough? Everything has become so formalized, so organized in kids' lives and yet there seem to be much easier solutions. We can't turn back the clock to the "good old days" when kids walked two miles along quiet country roads, but has society really changed so much that we can't offer children this early glimpse of responsibility and independence?

Here's another example from a story this week. Stanhope council pared down its budget to a zero per cent increase, despite losing \$50,000 in funding. One of the ways it did this was by tendering out the job to monitor its landfill sites. All of a sudden, the cost of this job has dropped from \$14,000 to \$8,000. While council is to be applauded for recognizing this as an area to save money, you then have to ask why it was paying \$14,000 before.

There is good to come out of the present pain and anguish. Not all cuts will be welcome. Some will be harmful and wrong, and people should still fight for those services they strongly believe in. Yet it seems that over time, it's going to be the community that decides what services it can afford to have. As part of a collective review, we're starting to take a closer look at who we are and what we value. There will be arguments and compromises, but in the end it's hoped we'll have stronger, more confident communities. **M.P.**



An evening stroll

by Martha Perkins

Letters to the Editor

Strange stories from days of fiscal restraint

To the Editor:

It is funny - peculiar how several small news items can strike a bell in these days of governmental restraint, and figures in the millions of dollars.

In April 1785, jury duty was apparently initiated in Canada. A recent letter to the Globe and Mail casually mentioned that the author had been paid \$2.75 per diem for a stint at jury duty, yet to park a car across the street cost \$3.

The April 16 issue of The Echo held about a full page ad by the Ontario Government in which they mention streamlining such expenditures as \$70 to administer "each payment of \$2.75 a day to jurors."

And then the Red Cross has been justifying a \$1000 per day "expense" allowance to previous executive members testifying at the Krever tainted blood inquiry.

I never was too good at mathematics but there seems to be some inconsistencies here - of course, back in the Dirty Thirties, our teachers earned less than \$1000 a year, and we had no computers or adding machines or - but that's another subject.

Bruce Armstrong,
Haliburton, Ontario

Animals that lose fear of humans are dangerous

To the Editor:

Re: the recent sad killing of Tricia Wyman by captive wolves at Haliburton Forest, and the controversy as to why, the answer is simple. They have lost the fear, or respect of the human race. All animals, big or small, domestic or wild, must have this respect, or we are all in deep trouble.

It's my opinion that wild

animals, wolves and bears in particular, are losing this respect at an alarming rate. As this trend continues, in their quest for food, how long is it going to be until who (you or I), or what, becomes their target?

Lloyd Barnes,
Wilberforce

Rescue party should have been armed

To the Editor:

The wolf story disturbed me. If the rescue party had armed themselves with a bed rail apiece as well as hand guns, a slap with a steel pipe alongside the head of the boss wolf would have convinced it who was boss.

Of course, one can't do that; it's cruelty to animals.

If a human wolf tries to rob or kill you and you hurt

it, you are a criminal. You would have to decide which is most important: the thugs' constitutional rights or your life or property. The police can't protect either Miss Wyman or you or I from the next township so "Walk softly and carry a big stick", T.R.

J. Bruce Fritshaw,
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How do I tax thee: Let me count the ways ...

As we are all trying to absorb the fallout from Copps' cop out and the GST harmonization follies, I thought it might be diverting to look back, with a small business owner's perspective, on the Big Nine taxes and see how truly harmonized they have become over the years.



PERSPECTIVES

Lon Duncombe

1. In the beginning was the Federal Income Tax. Designed as a temporary measure to help pay for World War I, it soon took on a life of its own and has now become two, two, two taxes in one as the provincial politicians have crept in to stake out their own share. Mercifully paid entirely by the employee.

2. Unemployment Insurance came several years later. Recently renamed Employment Insurance by some warped mind residing in the bowels of Revenue Canada, it is a tax the none the less as the employer is required to contribute 140% of employee contributions. Grossly underfunded.

3. Canada Pension Plan. A safety net with lots of holes, as many who have tried to retire can witness to. Brought in during the Pearson years, the employer must match employee contributions. Also grossly underfunded, and destined to collapse when I retire.

For the average small business owner, all of the above must be remitted in a lump sum on the 15th of each month. A yearly reconciliation is required by Revenue Canada. Now comes the fun stuff:

4. Worker's Compensation. Paid sometimes quarterly, sometimes monthly, sometimes yearly. It is managed, if that is the word, by the provincial government out of a huge expensive glass tower somewhere in Toronto. Potential employees must have failed English as a Second Language at least three times in order to work there. Payments are a percentage of payroll, the percentage varying with the phases of the moon. I recently received a letter demanding remittance of Form 603 within three days of the date of an alleged workplace mishap. The mishap occurred in August 1987. This is a true story, and for a modest bribe I will gladly show you the letter.

5. Employers Health Tax. A provincial affliction, I cannot for the life of me see how this tax is healthy for employers. Nonetheless it must be paid, as a percentage of payroll, usually once a year, or once every three months, or once a month, depending on something.

Now for the wonderful world of municipal taxes. These usually come in two flavours:

6. Property taxes. Paid twice a year, always when you can least afford it - in the spring and early summer. The first payment is usually half of the previous year. This is, of course, a trick designed to put you off guard so the second installment, with its massive increases, can clobber you unawares.

7. Business taxes. Usually paid at the same time as property taxes, this year they were timed to coincide with the personal Income Tax deadline, April 30th. Was this some municipal employee's idea of a sick joke?

Now for the best of the worst.

8. Provincial Sales Tax. Pegged at 8% it must be remitted by the 23rd of every month. Some items are exempt, but nobody knows which ones. Retailers don't have to pay PST on items they have purchased for resale, providing they manage to squeeze an exempt number out of Queen's Park. You must then send a blanket exemption form to all of your suppliers, even though I have never bought a blanket from any one of them.

9. Goods and Services Tax. What twisted, evil genius invented this sucker? They could have designed it along the lines of the Provincial Sales Tax, but oh no, in response to the Accountants Benevolent Association Lobby, no doubt, retailers must keep track of every single sale and expense, factor out the GST, subtract one from the other, and send the balance to Ottawa. The true Darth Vader of taxes, we feel its foul presence breathing down our necks on a regular basis as we desperately struggle to bring our accounts up to date. Currently 7%, but watch this space for changes.

Letter to the Editor

Counsellor's top priority was her patients, families

To the Editor:

We rarely see a copy of the "Echo" now but we did see one recently and I was saddened to read of difficulties in the Haliburton Counselling Service.

I know nothing of the circumstances or details of these problems, but I do want to express my regard for Gale Wicks whom we found the most understand-

ing person to talk with. I felt that Haliburton was lucky to have available such an experienced and committed person whose first priority was always the patients and their families.

I hope she is able to continue her important service to the community.

Margaret Stephenson,
Summerland, B.C.



Pic of the Past

Next weekend marks the "official" opening of another busy summer season, so we thought it would be a good time to share Keith Taylor's postcard of Hart Lodge, which backs onto his family's property. The Hart family started the resort 57 years ago and after passing ownership to daughter Eileen, the lodge was sold to two

businessmen, who sold it to the present owners, the Cowlings in 1992. The Cowlings did major renovations, retaining the Highlands atmosphere. Our thanks to Mr. Taylor for sharing the photo. The information is from Florence Ho's research as part of Trent University's bio-regionalism program.

And I paid a dollar for this!

Here we are on with spring almost over and we are only now getting into some decent weather. Ah the constant lament of a Canadian, eh. There is something about good weather that brings out the need to purge our households of clutter and junk. Spring is a prime time to get rid of the old, if only to make room for gathering new junk. Spring is the season of the yard sale.

Never having actually hosted a yard sale, I find it amazing to hear the tales of friends who have taken part in these events. They are planned with the precision of the Boston Marathon, with great detail taken as to what item gets what price and how many tables will be needed. As the day approaches, I've witnessed normally calm and collected people feverishly ticketing everything in their house, garage and yard. Several novenas are sent up for good weather and by Friday night, the household falls into an exhausted yet fitful sleep. I say fitful because as I understand it, you can never get up to early too early when having a yard sale. It doesn't matter what time you say the sale starts, people will be there at the crack of dawn vying for the deal of a century. I have driven by places on the highway at 8:00 a.m. that already had a string of cars. It sort of reminded me of that scene in the movie "Field of Dreams" when all of



ANNECDOTES

Anne Creelman

the cars are driving to come to the baseball field. Miles and miles of cars just driving to get to this fabulous place. I've also noticed that people pay no heed to rules of the road when driving to a yard sale. You may be driving along behind someone when all of the sudden, they veer off onto the shoulder without braking, spraying a cloud of dust and dirt on your windshield. They jump from their car before it stops and run toward the tables. Once there, folks who would normally be described as mild-mannered, can be seen getting into a bargaining war with someone they had coffee with only the day before. Hagglng and bartering are taken to a new level at yard sales. I think the idea is to get as much as you possibly can for under a dollar. If you go higher, it better be primo merchandise.

And then there are the toys. I once did a yard sale circuit with Max and Siobhan. They thought they had died and gone to Toy Heaven. All of the cool stuff they got for a quarter was unbelievable. I didn't have the heart to point out that the GI Joe was a war amp and it was a Hari

Krishna Barbie. As we paid the lady, she looked at me sympathetically as if to say, "Maybe you'll get 50 cents for them at your yard sale." Then she cackled as she pocketed the change.

No, I don't think I could have a yard sale. I would be one of those people who berates others for not paying enough for my stuff. I'd be in tears saying good-bye to anything I once held fondly in my heart. I would likely pay people not to buy. No, I think I would have to have more of a Yard Trade. My idea is that I could be a depot to where you could bring your mismatched household items in the hopes of coming away with a more complete set. I see things like cutlery. You know all of those spoons that have been taken to the sandbox never to return and the knives that have become screwdrivers. I think people would be happy to try to match sets. Or what about wayward sports equipment; pump without the pin, rackets but no birdies, a ski pole without a basket. You just never know who is out there with the opposite problem as yours; pin but no pump, birdie but not racket and so on. It is a really environmentally sound idea. I better get right on it since spring will be over next week. I haven't set a date but you'll know. Just follow the line of cars chanting, "If you sell it, we will come."

Boonieville

by Charlie Telford



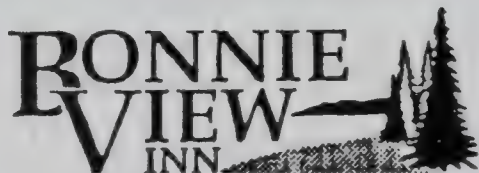
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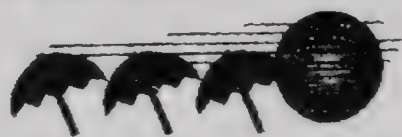
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A letter from Belgium

Schools face similar challenges

by BRYN GRAY,
Haliburton Rotary
Exchange Student

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MY SCHOOL HAS been on strike off and on for a month. The teachers are protesting the proposed 10% cut in teachers in the school district which represents about 3,000 teachers. In liege, the schools have been on strike for a month but in my area our school is closed only about one day a week as they observe the national strike. There are already 40 students in my classes but with no money, what choices do they have? As not all the schools are on strike, I am going to visit, this week, a chef training school that my host brother attends.

On one of the strike days another exchange student and I went up to Brussels where a rally was being held in support of the strike. We ended up standing behind two students being interviewed for the evening news. The next day everyone in the school said they had seen us on the television.

On one of my trips we went to Brugge, which is a town in the northern part of Belgium called Flanders. Brugge is about 15 km. from the sea and the countryside is very flat. So flat that everyone rides their bike. There are huge parking lots just for bikes. One Canadian friend who lives in Flanders goes to school on her bike and has to wait in a long line-up for ten minutes each day just to put her bike away. In the

central part of Brugge there is a series of canals and much of the town is as it was in the Middle Ages, which makes it quite a tourist attraction.

In January, I went to Amsterdam with Rotary and visited the van Gogh Museum which has the largest collection of van Gogh in the world and we later visited a modern art museum.

Both my host parents are chefs who work in different restaurants so they both have Wednesday off. Since Wednesday is only half a day of school anyway I take the day off in case they want to go to Liege or elsewhere in Belgium. To run a restaurant in Belgium, there has to be at least one person on the premises who has his chef papers. When my host father has a day off, they have to close the restaurant. As my host brother is training to be a chef and both his parents have their chef papers, much of the conversation revolves around food but the meals have been fantastic.

In the first week in February, I met my family from Canada in Paris. It was great to see them. We stayed in Paris for a few days and visited the Arc de Triomphe, the Louvre, Musée d'Orsay, Notre Dame Cathedral, and Versailles. We walked around a lot and rode the Metro to get around Paris. We even walked up to the second observation level on the Eiffel Tower which provides a great view of the city. There is so much history in the city and the architecture is so beautiful.

Leaving Paris we set out to visit the towns surrounding my area in Belgium. On one of the nights my second host family had a big dinner party for my Canadian family as well as my first host mother.

In Belgium, instead of March break, they have a week off in February and two weeks off at Easter but not all school districts have the same weeks off! We went skiing in the French Alps at Chamonix near the border of Italy and Switzerland. The snow conditions were fantastic. We sometimes were skiing in powder past our knees! On the last day my host brother and I went snow boarding.

On the return trip to Belgium, we stopped in Beaune in the heart of the Burgundy Valley wine region in France. We stayed at my host mother's aunt's home which was rather large. My host mother's grandfather had a huge vineyard which my host mother now has a partial interest in. The uncle we stayed with is a retired director of the company that operates the vineyard and he is still on a world wine committee with only 45 other members. The next day I went to the famous hospital, Hotel Dieu, that was founded in 1443. It was amazing to see the old hospital and how it was run. The building is famous for its multi-coloured glazed tile roof.

After the Hotel Dieu we went back and had a champagne breakfast and headed back to Belgium and school when it's open! So long for now!

Mom's words of wisdom

In honour of Mother's Day on May 12, Debbie Robertson's Grade 5 class at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School sent us this reminder that although there are always new mothers, their words of wisdom are timeless and time-honoured.

Things Mothers Say

1. When I was your age...
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3. Turn off that TV.
4. Make your bed.
5. Take a shower.
6. How was school?
7. Clean your room.
8. Play outside.

9. Do your homework.
10. Go to the bathroom before we leave.
11. You know better than that.
12. Don't get into trouble.
13. Change those clothes.
14. Don't talk back!
15. Look both ways before you cross the street.
16. Stop bugging your sister/brother!
17. You would forget your head if it wasn't attached.
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Green Olympics:

HHSS students take part in environmental competition

by JODY LINDBECK
Staff Reporter

THERE WAS an analysis of soil, a quick test on forestry knowledge and then it was time to identify five tree varieties - and all that was before lunch.

Five Grade 11 students from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School were among some 75 students from the counties of Haliburton, Hastings and Peterborough who tested their "green" knowledge by taking part in an "Envirothon" last week.

The Envirothon, an outdoor educational competition, was held at the Leslie M. Frost Natural Resources Centre on Thursday and Friday.

The five Haliburton students - Rachel Levis, Dwight Bryant, Nicholas Fawcett, Sheamus Donnery and Matt Heffer - are taking advanced chemistry and biology.

Despite not having specifically studied environmental science, the students, who had named themselves the Wolverines, were ready to tackle the competition head-on.

They might have shied away from applying a taste-test to a soil sample, but the Haliburton group was not deterred from performing a series of other tests to the soil, checking everything from its sand content to how mottled it was.

Having dug into, examined and catalogued their soil samples, the students turned their scientific knowledge to forestry.

They were initially given a 20-question test, which covered everything from identifying logging methods to naming Ontario's provincial tree. The students also had to attempt to identify five varieties of tree and to estimate the height and number of trees in a set area.

There were high-fives and whoops of joy all round when the students, having safely handed over their answer sheets to competition runners, were told they had correctly identified a tree which has caused them particular problems.

It may have been quite cold and the forest floor was somewhat muddy, but that did not deter these budding environmental scientists.

Lunch back at the Frost Centre cafeteria was a welcome break - time to warm up, quell hunger pangs and sneak in a quick hand or two of blackjack.

After lunch, it was time to study aquatic areas, with the second day devoted to wildlife.

On Thursday night, the 75 students had the chance to relax and enjoy a busy program of activities, which included a Creatures of the Night presentation, along



GETTING IT RIGHT: Sheamus Donnery, Dwight Bryant and Nicholas Fawcett pore over one of the questions in last week's Envirothon at the Frost Centre

with Call of the Wild or Vietnam: Story of Poverty.

The Envirothon was held in last year for the first time in Ontario, although it was only on a limited scale.

Twelve teams participated for the chance to go to the international competition in Idaho last year, with 37 Ontario secondary schools entering teams this year.

The top three place-winners of last week's Central Ontario final - a team from Crestwood (Peterborough) and two teams from Centre Hastings (Madoc) - will now compete in the provincial final, with the winner heading to the international finals in Nebraska.

The idea of a competition in which students could compete based on their understanding of environmental concepts originated in Pennsylvania in 1979.

For the Haliburton students, their first Envirothon was shaping up to be a memorable experience and finishing sixth in a field of 14 made the experience even better.

Their supervising teacher, Glen Scully, the head of the science department at HHSS, was particularly proud of the students' efforts as they had done much of the preparation for the competition independently.

Mr Scully is also a strong supporter of the Envirothon concept, which he described as a "super idea", and is also grateful for sponsorship from Wilberforce Veneer.

Rachel described it as a learning experience, and one which had kept her thinking. Her teammates agreed. "It was good, but some of it was really hard," Nicholas added.

But perhaps the biggest indication of the students' feelings came when they were asked whether they would suggest Hal High participate again next year. "Definitely - but we want to do it again," Nicholas said. "Next year, we'll really know what we're doing."

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NEW FACES AT RAILS' END: During Mandy Newnham's maternity leave, Thom Lambert will be filling in as administrator of the Rails' End Gallery in Haliburton. Virginia Urquhart is the new bookkeeper, replacing Norma Douglas, who retired last month.

New enthusiasm is at work at the Rails' End Gallery in Haliburton

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Visitors to the Rails' End Gallery will soon be accustomed to seeing two new faces.

Virginia Urquhart has been hired as the bookkeeper to replace Norma Douglas, who's retiring, and Thom Lambert will be filling in for administrator Mandy Newnham's six-month maternity leave starting in May.

"This gallery really fits the community really well," says Lambert, who isn't surprised to see the beauty of the Highlands reflected in some of the art which graces the gallery.

His own artistry leans more towards music, but he does have an extensive background in adventure education and staff training, hon-

ing skills that will certainly be useful as he

helps launch the first ArtFest at Head Lake Park. As well as running his own business, he was involved with the Bark Lake Leadership Centre for seven years.

The outdoor arts festival on August 2 to 4 replaces the Guild's summer show and sale at JDHES and while the change has some people nervous, Lambert is enthusiastic about its possibilities and hopes his excitement over being involved with the show will be infectious.

"It's going to be challenging for the Guild but in many ways it will be good and give the Guild a lot more exposure," he says. Because ArtFest will be just in front of the gallery, it will also give it a lot more exposure to people who might not have realized how much the Highlands has to offer when the show was tucked in off the main streets.

"One thing that attracts me about Haliburton is it does have a strong arts community," he says.

Urquhart's ties to the Guild or the Highlands are not new, either. Most people will recognize her from her 10 years with the Bank of Commerce, but she's also been a Guild member for six years. Her specialty is folk art. (Visitors at the recent Members Show will remember being captivated by the bright colours in her four-panel painting.)

She particularly likes how the old railway station has been given a new life by the gallery and appreciates the sense of history that is part of the building.

"The Guild welcomes Thom and Virginia and knows they will bring a lot of fresh energy and skill to our exciting summer plans," says Guild president Margery Cartwright.

Garry's Garden gallery JUST ARRIVED FOR SPRING!

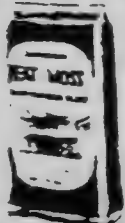
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Katimavik participants get a taste of Haliburton work world

by CORY RALSTON
Katimavik Participant

Pascal Goineau had been waiting his entire life for the opportunity to work with animals. Thanks to the hard work of the Local Katimavik Committee and veterinarian Laurie Brown, he got it.

Goineau, who has loved animals his entire life, now knows what goes on at the vet's.

"There's a lot more to it than just the operations," he says. "I never thought about all the work that had to be done."

Throughout the week he got to clean the kennels, change the litter, hold animals while they are being shaved, and prepare the instruments for surgery.

He assures us that all the work was more than worth it, simply to see Dr. Brown with the animals.

"She really changed my perception of veterinarians," says Goineau. "It amazed me how she cared for every animal."

The highlight of the week for Goineau was taking a trip to a farm to check on a new born pony.

The recent billeting week also gave the other Katimavik participants a chance to experience jobs they are interested in. Mark Burney fine tuned his mechanical skills working on resort operations and maintenance, Tara Morra shared her sincerity with children at Victoria Street School, Yvonne Sagon explored her interest in serving agencies at C.H.A.C.E., Tim Kruz lived up the outdoors on Waverly Brook Farm, Nicole Wasurchak expanded her creativity with the arts, and Cory Ralston gained knowledge on mass media at the Haliburton County Echo.

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NOTICE

Township of Stanhope

The Township of Stanhope is hoping to hold a "scaled-down" Stanhope Fun Day on Saturday, July 27, 1996.

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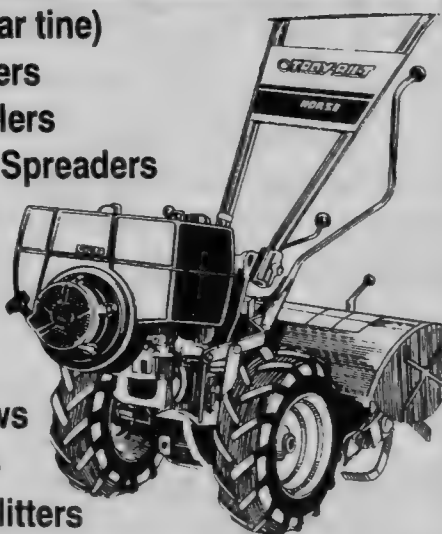
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One Aussie learns to live in the land of ice and blackflies

by JODY LINDBECK
Staff Reporter

I HOPED it would be the experience of a lifetime. Having worked for the past nine years for The Daily Advertiser newspaper in Wagga Wagga, Australia, I was ready for a new challenge.

However, since my adventuring spirit has extended only as far as abseiling down a 300-foot cliff, I decided mountain trekking in Nepal or kayaking down uncharted rapids was not really for me. [Ed's note: apparently abseiling is one of those crazy things Australians are prone to doing.] So when the opportunity arose for me to take on the position as summer reporter for The Echo, I jumped at the chance.

I had travelled overseas before, and in fact had even visited Toronto briefly, but I have never had the opportunity to live in another country. I have lived my whole life in the Wagga Wagga area, one of Australia's most productive farming regions.

So it was, I found myself on a plane flying halfway around the world, to my new home.

The weather was dry when I arrived, but it wasn't long before I experienced snowfalls.

I expected life in Canada to be different to my life in Australia, but I really had little idea of what I was in for. The Smith family, who spent last year in Haliburton on a teacher exchange, gave me a few point-

ers, but apart from that, I was on my own. (My mother works at the same school where Bonnie Amson switched teaching jobs with Tracy Smith, and that's how I found out Haliburton even existed.)

I arrived in Haliburton just over two weeks ago, to discover that winter was somewhat reluctant to end.

Wagga Wagga does have winter, but it is nothing like here. I have a vague memory of a brief snowfall in Wagga Wagga when I was a child, but we usually have to head to the nearest mountains (at least two hours' drive away) to see real snow.

So, discovering there were still patches of snow around Haliburton was quite a novelty, albeit a chilly one.

I'm learning very quickly that while our countries have a great deal in common, there are many differences.

The first is our language. Not only does almost everyone I meet have trouble understanding me (has anyone ever told you Canadians that you have an accent?), we use different words for everyday items and activities. For example, in Australia sweaters are called jumpers, green peppers are capsicums and pink slips are something we need to register our cars.

And, of course, we drive on the opposite side of the road to Canadians. My initial experience in driving here came on my first day at The Echo, when the publisher asked me to take some photographs. He loaned me his



WHERE'S THE WHEEL? Summer reporter Jody Lindbeck adjusts to driving Canadian-style. Don't be surprised if the Australian tries to drive on the opposite side of the road, as is done "Down Under".

truck, not remembering immediately that we Aussies do things differently "Down Under".

I'm still not sure who was more scared during that first experience - me driving a fairly large truck, on the wrong side of

the road in the pouring rain, or the boss, who knew I was driving his fairly large truck on the wrong side of the road in the pouring rain.

I can report that I made it through the experience

unscathed, and was able to return the keys of an undamaged truck to its vastly-relieved owner. Since then, I've driven around the Haliburton area quite a few times, through rain, sun and snow. I admit driving through a snow storm at night up the hill to my new home was a little scary, but I got there (very slowly, I might add).

In the fortnight I've been here, I've already been able to visit different parts of the region - Minden, Wilberforce and Dorset are among the towns I've seen.

After two weeks at The Echo office, I'm starting to figure a few things out. I've got a handle on the telephone system, and have reached an armed truce with the computers (I have to confess to being behind in this technological age).

I've definitely got the coffee percolator figured out and am developing a taste for "subs" (a tasty variation on the humble Aussie roll).

I've also discovered that, with the guidance of a good recipe, I can mix up a great batch of fudge.

After only a fortnight here, it's probably a little early to say so, but I reckon it's going to be a ripper of a summer and it's definitely shaping up to be the experience of a lifetime!

But by the way, why didn't anyone mention blackflies before I got here - and why does everybody smile when they mention them now?

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More projects approved under infrastructure program

Several projects in three local municipalities have received approval under the Canada/Ontario Infrastructure Works program.

In DYSART ET AL the projects include:

Municipal Road Upgrades: \$249,900 will be used to improve Curry Drive, Watts Trail, Harcourt Road, North Kashagawigamog Road, Redken Drive, Old Donald Road and Green Lake Road. Where required, the upgrades will include road base repair, widening and realignment, culvert replacement and asphalt overlay. Completed date: Fall, 1996.

Sidewalk Replacement: \$29,170 will be used to repair and replace sidewalks in various locations throughout the township. Completion date: Fall, 1996.

Pine Lake Drive Bridge - Structure 5: \$48,130 was used to make various repairs to the structure, including deck replacement and reconstruction of abutments. Work on this project has been completed.

In ANSON, HINDON AND MINDEN projects are for various improvements to the municipality's recreational facilities, including:

- \$81,600 in funding to install new fencing, bleachers and energy efficient lighting in the Minden Ball Park, replace the roof and repair the fireplace in the picnic area and construct an additional picnic shelter;

- \$52,800 to construct a new playground and basketball court on Milne Street; and

- \$23,600 to refurbish the kitchen and washrooms in the Community Centre, including new energy efficient lights in the kitchen.

Work on these projects will be completed by September, 1996.

The projects in GLAMORGAN are as follows:

Community Park and Cemetery Improvements:

\$31,060 for work to include replacing the existing fencing around the baseball field and Pioneer Cemetery. Work will be completed by the fall, 1996.

Dock Upgrade: \$6,952 to construct four new sections for the Gooderham Public Beach Dock. This upgrade will provide improved safety and access to Pine Lake. Work will be completed by the fall, 1996.

Lake Access Roads Repairs: \$5,800 to repair the roads to Glamorgan and Koshlong Lakes, including grading and graveling. Work will be completed by the fall, 1996.

Community Park Upgrade - Phase 2: \$3,500 to construct bleachers at the baseball diamond and demolition derby pit and repair and upgrade washrooms. Work will be completed by the fall, 1996.

Community Centre Renovation - Phase 2: \$30,900 was used to replace the badly deteriorated floor and repair the roof. Work on this project has been completed.

Amendments passed to substitute decisions act

The Ontario government has passed legislation that reduces government interference in the private affairs of individuals and ensures that decision-making is in the hands of individuals and their families, MPP Chris Hodgson says.

On March 29, the Advocacy, Consent and Substitute Decisions Statue Law Amendment Act came in effect.

"This is an issue that concerns the people of Victoria-Haliburton. Last year, I held nine public meetings, with the help of local lawyers who volunteered their time, to explain this confusing issue to the public," said Hodgson. "The amended law respects an individual's right to make his or her future planning decisions, makes it easier for family members to act on behalf of their incapable relatives and protects



MPP Chris Hodgson

vulnerable people from abuse or neglect."

The Substitute Decisions Act, which was passed by the former government on April 3, 1995, attempted to do this. However, in practice, the law resulted in a complex web of rules that made

if difficult for family and caregivers of mentally incapable people.

The public complained that the rules for making and using powers of attorney were confusing and complicated, Mr. Hodgson noted. The public was concerned that decision-making authority could be taken away from family members and put in the hands of the government.

The government's changes to the Substitute Decisions Act will reduce bureaucratic interference in the private affairs of individuals. People's wishes will be honoured and family members will be empowered to act on behalf of those who are mentally incapable.

"These changes will provide flexible rules that will work for real people whose situations are all unique," Mr. Hodgson said.

Valid powers of attorney

made under the previous laws, including the Substitute Decisions Act, will remain valid.

There are, however, some changes, most notably, where an individual makes a power of attorney for property, that power of attorney will no longer be terminated when a person becomes mentally incapable. It will prevail over the authority of the Public Guardian and Trustee.

The amendments also confirm the role of government as the substitute decision-maker of last resort for people who have no one else to make decisions on their behalf.

"This law reduces government interference in people's lives and puts decision-making back where it belongs, in the hands of individuals and their trusted family and friends."

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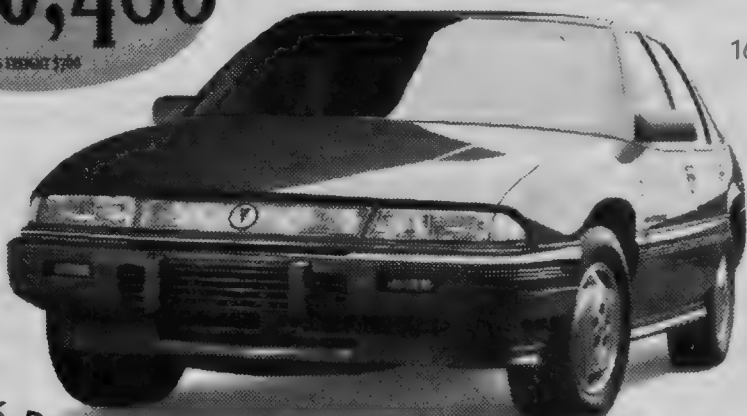
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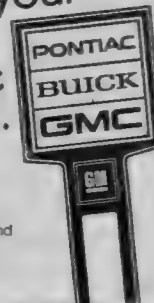
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Municipality of Monmouth Financial Statement



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AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, INHABITANTS AND
RATEPAYERS OF THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF MONMOUTH

We have audited the consolidated balance sheet of the Corporation of the Township of Monmouth as at December 31, 1995 and the consolidated statement of operations for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Township as at December 31, 1995 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles disclosed in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

Peterborough, Ontario
March 8, 1996

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONMOUTH
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
For The Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Budget 1995 \$	Actual 1995 \$	Actual 1994 \$
SOURCES OF FINANCING:			
TAXATION AND USER CHARGES			
Residential and farm taxation	270,624	276,030	269,048
Commercial, industrial and business taxation	41,618	41,965	41,473
Taxation from other governments	2,900	2,857	2,854
User charges	52,920	98,040	92,268
GRANTS			
Government of Canada	38,670	44,313	30,427
Province of Ontario	262,270	245,810	217,378
OTHER			
Penalties and interest on taxes	20,000	31,107	27,881
Investment income	-	745	529
MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR (Note 4)			
To be used to offset taxation or user charges	38,625	38,514	27,247
Capital operations not yet permanently financed	-	-	(17,420)
Total Financing Available During The Year	727,627	779,381	691,685

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONMOUTH
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
At December 31, 1995

	1995 \$	1994 \$
ASSETS		
UNRESTRICTED		
Cash	100	13,910
Taxes receivable	238,486	205,306
Accounts receivable	41,782	41,718
	280,368	260,934
RESTRICTED		
Cash	10,838	10,810
	291,206	271,744
LIABILITIES AND MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Temporary loans	114,084	100,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	82,798	50,120
Other current liabilities	1,195	992
	198,077	151,112
MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCES AT THE END OF THE YEAR		
To be used to offset taxation or user charges (Note 4)	35,726	38,514
Capital operations not yet permanently financed (Note 4)	(33,433)	-
Reserves (Note 5)	79,998	71,308
Reserve funds (Note 5)	10,838	10,810
	93,129	120,632
	291,206	271,744

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONMOUTH
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
For The Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Budget 1995 \$	Actual 1995 \$	Actual 1994 \$
APPLIED TO:			
CURRENT OPERATIONS			
General government	141,000	131,574	143,854
Protection to persons and property	58,100	57,892	58,302
Transportation services	158,963	162,459	138,343
Environmental services	23,000	20,995	22,613
Health services	10,500	13,556	14,875
Recreation and cultural services	125,100	160,127	148,451
Planning and development	-	810	770
	516,663	547,413	527,208
CAPITAL OPERATIONS			
Protection to persons and property	8,700	19,193	5,665
Transportation services	177,391	178,562	87,725
Environmental services	-	-	3,966
Recreation and cultural services	16,183	23,202	17,756
	202,274	220,957	115,112
Net appropriations to reserves and reserve funds	8,690	8,718	10,851
MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCES AT THE END OF THE YEAR (Note 4)			
To be used to offset taxation or user charges	-	35,726	38,514
Capital operations not yet permanently financed	-	(33,433)	-
	-	2,293	38,514
Total Applications During The Year	727,627	779,381	691,685

1. The 1995 Financial Report consolidates the operations, assets and liabilities of the Township of Monmouth.
2. The Financial data presented has been basically extracted from the audited 1995 consolidated financial report of the Township of Monmouth. Copies of the 1995 consolidated financial report are available from the Township Treasurer for any resident who wishes to review or analyze the financial operations of the Township of Monmouth in greater detail.

Stanhope holds line on tax hike

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Stanhope council has absorbed a loss of about \$50,000 in provincial funding for the year ahead without hiking taxes.

In a special meeting April 27, councillors adopted a budget of about \$970,000, serving ratepayers a zero per cent increase on the municipal portion of their tax bill.

The municipality was able to find sufficient savings in its operations without cutting any services, said clerk-administrator Gerald Bain.

Mainly council trimmed spending in administration and waste management.

The municipality's deputy-clerk accepted an early retirement package, cutting down Stanhope's staff payroll.

Council also realized an annual savings of about \$9,000 by contracting attendants for its three landfills to replace municipal employees.

Councillors found an additional savings of between \$6,000 and \$7,000 by tendering the job of monitoring one of the municipalities dumps.

As a condition of expanding the land-fill last year, the Ministry of the Environment requires Stanhope to file an annual report on the site.

The company that monitored the land-fill last year charged about \$14,000. Through tendering the job, the municipality found another company for about \$8,000 this year.

Approximately \$10,000 of Stanhope's overall provincial cutback came from the municipal airport's operational budget. The airport is hoping to offset the lost revenue through a series of user fees.

The province has said municipalities should expect to receive funding cuts of roughly the same magnitude next year.

"That's when it's going to be difficult to retain the same level of service," said Bain.

Census provides at glimpse at Highlands life

May 14 is Census Day in Canada. A successful Census needs cooperative and enthusiastic communities like those found in Haliburton County.

There were over 14,000 people in your county in 1991. Who were your neighbours? They were almost evenly split between women and men - the bulk of them, 31 percent, falling between 20 and 45 years of age. Children (19 years and under) made up 24 percent of the population while senior citizens accounted for 20 percent of the total.

Back in 1991, the traditional family structure was prevalent among the residents of Haliburton County. Of the over 4,400 families in your community, 84 percent consisted of legally married couples. The other 16 percent were a mixture of common-law and single parent arrangements. Most of the single-parent families (79%) were headed by women.

If you lived here five years ago, there's a good chance you owned your home.

The majority of private dwellings in 1991 were owned (84 percent) and not rented. This contrasts with the same figures for all of Ontario. Only 64 percent of Ontario residents owned their own homes in 1991.

It's been almost five years and your community is five years older. That's five years of change; births, deaths, marriages, divorces and neighbours moving in and out. Ask yourself "Does my neighbourhood look the same as it did in 1991?"

A changing population has changing needs. An accurate count of Haliburton County's population helps plan basic services like buses and fire stations and reveals additional community needs such as senior citizen homes and schools.

The 1996 Census of Population is ready to snap a new portrait of Haliburton County. The Census is the best source of information for identifying your neighbourhood's evolving needs.

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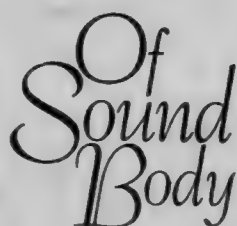
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Parents to teens: let's talk

by JODY LINDBECK
Staff Reporter

If you want to make sure your teenagers don't abuse alcohol or drugs, you have to talk to them.

Linda Lowery, the substance abuse prevention co-ordinator with the Durham Board of Education, brought that message to a meeting of parents and teachers at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School last Tuesday.

Lowery stressed that communication is not a choice. It's a skill and a process. Choosing not to talk is also a form of communication, she said.

"We've all had the silent treatment at some point. The power of communicating is in the message, not so much in the words.

"Communication is not a natural ability, it is a skill."

In the past, families used to sit down to a meal together, then spend time talking. Today children do not always have this opportunity, since life is much more hectic.

Many of the children Lowery has dealt with have told her they wished they could relate to their parents better. In the past children were more protected, with both a nuclear and extended family. They had more support and were more aware of the consequences of their actions.

Today, Lowery said, society is more mobile and busier and it is more difficult to come up with

It's one of the best ways to avoid drug and alcohol abuse

traditions which "glue" a family together.

Without these foundations, she said, parents cannot talk to their children about alcohol and other drugs.

Lowery agreed with parents that the "13 to 14 year old shut-down period" of adolescence is a difficult time, with children trying to put some distance and independence between themselves and their parents.

She encouraged parents to continue to "reach out" to their children.

Lowery is a "firm believer" in

family meetings. She said many of the children she works with

also express a desire to spend more "special time" with their parents.

One father told the meeting he encouraged his children to spend more time with him by having them help with household repairs, take part in sport or join other activities such as shooting pool.

Lowery said it is particularly important for parents to interact with their children if this meant also involving the children's friends.

Role-modelling is also essential, since the messenger is as

important as the message.

"Do we think our kids don't see their parents go to parties and drink? And how many of us come home and say 'I need a drink'?"

"We can't give one message and live another. Do we model for our kids how to manage stress effectively, or are we automatically reaching for drugs?"

Lowery said she is concerned children today are given too much freedom and too little responsibility. Children need limits. They also need to understand the importance of trust, which is easily broken and hard to re-establish.

She also emphasized that there is strength in getting help to deal with problems.

Township of Snowdon Consolidated Statement of Operations for the Year ended December 31, 1995



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AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, INHABITANTS AND
RATEPAYERS OF THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF SNOWDON

We have audited the consolidated balance sheet of the Corporation of the Township of Snowdon as at December 31, 1995 and the consolidated statement of operations for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Township as at December 31, 1995 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles disclosed in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

Peterborough, Ontario
March 1, 1996

Humpage Taylor McDonald
Chartered Accountants

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For The Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Budget 1995 \$	Actual 1995 \$	Actual 1994 \$
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APPLIED TO:			
CURRENT OPERATIONS			
General government	103,395	110,665	120,700
Protection to persons and property	44,991	47,306	40,942
Transportation services	144,630	136,469	129,931
Environmental services	37,285	40,442	26,875
Recreation and cultural services	9,485	8,821	9,563
	339,796	343,703	328,011
CAPITAL OPERATIONS			
General government	12,053	10,720	28,891
Transportation services	-	4,880	16,632
Environmental services	5,300	-	117,900
	17,353	15,600	163,423
Net appropriation to (from) reserves and reserve funds	(3,885)	(1,424)	(16,976)
MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCE AT THE END OF THE YEAR (Note 6)			
To be used to offset (or to be recovered from) taxation or user charges	-	17,787	(2,759)
Total Applications During The Year	353,254	375,666	471,699

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SNOWDON

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For The Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Budget 1995 \$	Actual 1995 \$	Actual 1994 \$
SOURCES OF FINANCING:			
TAXATION AND USER CHARGES			
Residential and farm taxation	193,292	194,303	183,887
Commercial, industrial and business taxation	13,254	14,343	13,442
Taxation from other governments	1,300	1,588	1,552
User charges	15,480	23,980	33,405
GRANTS			
Government of Canada	3,620	5,178	-
Province of Ontario	111,067	113,810	134,971
OTHER			
Penalties and interest on taxes	13,000	15,935	15,259
Investment income	5,000	9,288	5,995
Proceeds From The Issue Of Long Term Liabilities			85,000
MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR (Note 6)			
To be used to offset (or to be recovered from) taxation or user charges	(2,759)	(2,759)	(1,812)
Total Financing Available During The Year	353,254	375,666	471,699

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SNOWDON

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET At December 31, 1995

	1995 \$	1994 \$
ASSETS		
UNRESTRICTED		
Cash	100	-
Taxes receivable	117,110	82,527
Accounts receivable	17,029	44,495
	134,239	127,022
RESTRICTED		
Cash	34,725	33,835
Due from revenue fund	9,284	11,598
	44,009	45,433
Capital Outlay Financed By Long Term Liabilities And To Be Recovered In Future Years	76,504	85,000
	254,752	257,455
LIABILITIES AND MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Bank indebtedness	15,025	1,572
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	13,438	37,815
Other current liabilities	1,213	1,304
Due to reserve funds	9,284	11,598
	38,960	52,289
Net Long Term Liabilities (Note 5)	76,504	85,000
MUNICIPAL FUND BALANCES AT THE END OF THE YEAR		
To be used to offset (or to be recovered from) taxation or user charges (Note 6)	17,787	(2,759)
Reserves (Note 7)	77,492	77,492
Reserve funds (Note 7)	44,009	45,433
	139,288	120,166
	254,752	257,455

Fighting Stereotypes

People with mental illness say they need more understanding and support

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

IF SOMEONE learns they have cancer, the community's response is swift. People offer assistance, compassion and a willingness to help them through it. Even if the cancer was caused by something the person controlled — smoking, for instance, as a cause of lung cancer — there would still be an outpouring of support and caring.

Now imagine what would happen if someone learned they had a mental illness.

The community's reaction would likely be silence. Worse than that, the person may be shunned and ignored.

As part of Mental Health Awareness Week from May 6 to

10, a group of local residents who suffer from mental illness got together to share how their lives have been affected. And to help change public perceptions, they're hosting a free public forum May 16 at the PineStone starting at 7:30 p.m..

"People don't see how mental illness is life threatening," says Gale Wicks, a nurse with an independent practice in mental health services. And yet three of the four people gathered around the table at her Haliburton office have tried to commit suicide at least once. The fourth person has had to rush his wife to hospital after numerous attempts.

People die from mental illness. Often they take their own lives. Sometimes they are homeless, exposed to dangerous situations. But no matter what happens, the

cost to society — in dollar terms as well as human — is staggering. One out of every eight Canadians can expect to be hospitalized at least once in their lives — if there's a bed for them. In this four-county area, that equates to 34,000 individuals.

"You feel so trapped and think it will never end. You think suicide is the only way out," says Sue, whose depression has led her to many suicide attempts (and not always during the hours when the Minden Hospital is open, adds her husband Harry.) Seven years ago, they were running a highly successful business, working exceedingly long hours and enjoying the benefits. Then Harry got sick and Sue had even more to cope with. Suddenly, her body said no, it wasn't going to take the stress

any more. Fatigue triggered what would become chronic depression. Now there are times when she can't do anything more than sit and cry all day.

Some people may think Sue's just lazy. But she wants to work, she'd love to work. A chemical imbalance overrides those desires, however, and she's spent the past seven years coping with what her body is doing to her. She's taken medication and when that doesn't work, she's tried to take her own life. A few years ago, she had electric shock therapy, conjuring up images of One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest. Instead of being a terrifying experience, it was a painless and beneficial one, although sometimes the benefits would last only a day or two.

People thought James' prob-

lems were all in his head, or maybe he was mentally handicapped. He was in and out of counselling, tried several types of drugs and yet no one knew what was the matter. People looked at him questioningly: he looked physically healthy so why was he on a disability pension instead of working? Everyone judged him, and such judgements only made James mad and frustrated.

It wasn't until recently that a neuro-psychiatrist did tests to determine that James, who is adopted, suffered from acquired brain injury. As a baby, he was the victim of child abuse, and perhaps his head was banged against a wall or he sustained a similar injury.

Oddly enough, knowing what has caused his mental illness hasn't helped James cope with it. "I find it very difficult. I cannot accept it. If I didn't have that injury, I could have done more..."

"We didn't ask to be here. I feel our lives have been robbed. We could have been somebody."

While all mental illness is serious, Cynthia is pretty high up on the index. Thirteen years ago, she was diagnosed as being schizophrenic — a cross between schizophrenia and being manic/depressive.

With schizophrenia she started hearing voices, and soon began to believe those voices were real. So she started to talk back. Those voices don't usually say nice things, she adds, and often she responded in kind.

"You lose control," she says. "You know something's wrong but you can't tell you're sick... It became normal. It got to the point I was yelling and screaming at everyone else."

With the manic/depressive symptoms, she could be as high as a kite one day and hit emotional rock bottom the next, going from being wonder-woman to a complete sloth, unable to do the simplest housework.

Now, she's found a combination of five different medications which seem to counter-balance her body's own chemical disarray. For the past year she's been fairly stable "and now I'm starting to function." She, like the others, don't blame doctors for not knowing exactly what to prescribe on the first visit. Everyone person's chemical make-up is different, and unfortunately, there's still a heavy dependence on trial and error to come up with the right mix.

Just as someone with cancer hopes desperately they will get well again, these people would gladly choose not to have a mental illness. But it's not their choice to make. In a society which does not blame people for getting cancer, they would also like people to recognize that their illness is not their fault.

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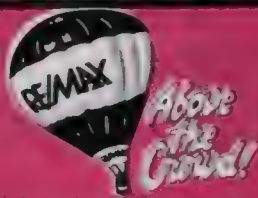
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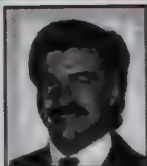
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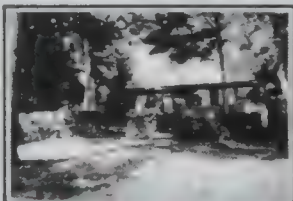
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Unique logs go on the auction block

↑ Photos by Martha Perkins ↑



Mike Blake, Larry Hewitt, Ian Clark, Terry Blair & Barry Boice wait to bid



Sinc Nesbitt, on right, thinks about the prices



Don't worry, this dog wasn't for sale

by PETER SCHLEIFENBAUM

IN THE FALL of 1994, a group of volunteers met to form the Haliburton Community Forest Opportunities Committee. One of the opportunities to be explored was to add value to local forest products. It was agreed that the wide variety and potentially high value of local forest products would warrant organizing a log auction, an event common for high value forest products in Europe and parts of the U.S.

Lorne Johnson took on the task of organizing and overseeing this first log auction in Ontario.

Since mid-March, over 700 logs and wood oddities were accumulating in a gravel pit off Hwy. 118. A good crowd gathered last Saturday, including buyers from all over Ontario and neighbouring U.S. states, as



Auctioneer Barry McLean heats up the bidding

See LOGGERS page 26



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Loggers agree: let's do it again

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well as many onlookers interested in the many aspects of the event. On offer were logs of 24 different species.

As with any auction, prices varied, but overall buyers and sellers were equally content after five hours of continuous bidding. Highlights were \$1150 paid for a 37" yellow birch log as well as \$650 for a large burl, which, according to the buyer, will be shipped to Taiwan to be sliced into veneer sheets.

As much as the auction was about selling and buying logs, it also served as a means of communication between log buyers, loggers, landowners and special user groups such as carvers, canoe and furniture builders.

The unanimous conclusion of visitors upon leaving was: let's make this an annual event. Hats off to Lorne Johnson for his effort and endurance.



A PURELY CANADIAN PICNIC:

Pupils in Grade 3 at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School kicked off Education Week with a special Canadian picnic. Working in groups, the pupils selected and prepared a menu appropriate to the provinces they had been allocated. Enjoying their picnic were, from left, Michelle Landry, Khristy Glover, Whitney Muenzel, Crystal English, Nicole Pockett and Anna Schleifenbaum.

Backed-up water breaks in quarry, rushes down road

On Tuesday night, April 23, about 10:30 p.m. water that had backed up at the quarry broke away, and came in a roaring rush down Baseline Road. In short moments, the street became a lake, surrounding several homes, including the funeral home, and flooded across Hwy. 35 to the Coby Home Improvements and Souter's Variety, rushing by the

Bowes and Cocks Real Estate to the river.

Some years ago, culverts had been changed in some places,

including off the Burnt River Road, where water from the south side of the road was diverted to the north side of the road, into quarry property. With so much rain lately, the water reached a higher level than in the past, and the result was water pushing its way down the little hill on Baseline Road.

Quarry manager, Doug Clark at Midland, was contacted, and he drove from Midland right away, and got the loader going to remove crushed stone, and banking places to direct water, gathered up bricks and debris, working until 4 a.m. on Wednesday morning. It has been

very scary, and makes one realize a little, what must happen when a tornado hits, or a cyclone destroys everything in its path.

Snow continues to make an appearance, snowing as late as

COBOCONK

News

Sheila Lake
454-2314

Saturday morning, April 27. Sunday, the 28th was the warmest and sunniest day we've had in ages, though a

very heavy frost overnight on Saturday gave a winter feeling outdoors.

Get well wishes to Kelly Prentice.

We're sorry to hear that Jim Boyce of Norland, had to go back to hospital last week, with serious heart trouble.

Also, Larry Baldwin, is back in hospital this time in Peterborough. Get well wishes to you all!

Congratulations to Earl and Johanne Prentice, who celebrated their 35th anniversary on Saturday, with an open house.

If you, or any of your children, attended Fenelon Falls High School, some years ago, you may have been there when Ross Sturgess was the principal. Ross was a kindly gentleman, who really helped and encouraged his students. You will be sorry to learn that he passed away on April 8 in Oshawa General Hospital. Our sympathy goes out to his wife, Shirley, and children Chris and his wife Mary, Cindi and her husband Tom, Kim and her husband Wayne.

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AT HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS
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Monday May 13, 1996 - 7:30pm to 9:00pm

The Ministry of Education and Training requires that membership on the School Council includes, parents, principal, teacher, support staff representative, community representatives and a high school student.

You are invited to come and share your opinions with school administration on the establishment of our new school Council.

A full write-up about school councils was in our latest Newsletter that was distributed to all students on Thursday May 2.

Ask your son/daughter for a copy.

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CALL FOR PROPOSALS Destination Guide

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is calling for proposals to produce their 1997 Destination Guide. These proposals are intended to be for all aspects of the development of this proposed publication. The proposals should include, but may not be limited to, how the proponent intends to address:

- the sale of advertising
- the collection of advertising sales
- creative
- printing
- editorial
- all specifications
- all terms

Proponents should be aware that:

- 75,000 copies of the Guide must be printed, and the Guide must be printed and delivered inside the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce office on Highway 35 in Minden, by 4:00 pm on December 1, 1996.

All responses must be in the form of a letter of intent that commits the proponent to make an in-person presentation to the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce Destination Guide sub-committee at their convenience. The due date for receiving letters of intent is no later than 4:00 pm, May 10, 1996, in the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce office in Minden.

Proposals are to be addressed to: Ms Connie Sims, Chairperson, Destination Guide Sub-Committee, P.O. Box 147 Minden, Ontario KOM 2K0 Tel: 1-705-286-1760. Fax: 1-705-286-6016

Auxiliary sees changes

The Ladies Auxiliary of Branch 624 Canadian Legion elected their 1996-97 executive at the May meeting. Betty Hall is the new president as Marion Clark moves to past president. Sergeant-at-arms is Ruth Vaughan. Dorothy Bebbington takes over as secretary, Betty Hayward, treasurer, vice president Bridget Flodden, and Joyce Maughan second vice president. The L.A. contributes in many ways in the community. We wish them well in their work.

Sympathy of friends and neighbours goes out to Ria Lee and family with the recent death of Ria's husband, Art Wade of Tory Hill. Art had been unwell for some time.

During discussions of the recent production of "That Pioneer Spirit" at a regular meeting of the Loop Troupe, members commented on all the help that was offered by folks in the area. Especially appreciated was the great work of all who pitched in with the dismantling and storage of the set, scenery, stage extension and the "lifting of the piano" back onto the stage. Upcoming will be involvement in Country Good Times, the new and exciting (watch for it) Penny Sale and a return of the Monte Carlo Night in October. The Troupe is also considering its next major production. "Something To Sing About" is the theme for Country Good Times Festival that takes over the village on the third week-

WILBERFORCE

News

Hilda Clark

end in July. A theme that allows quite a scope for all the groups that take part! Imagine singing and strumming clowns, special features at the Amateur contest, parade floats displaying all the things people would like to "Sing About", businesses and homeowners "singing" about their products, services and homes... It's only two months away. Let's get those creative ideas flowing!

All the best to Vic Matthews, keen curler and spirited bridge player, who is scheduled for surgery very soon. A quick recovery is hoped for Gord Clark who is recovering from surgery in Peterborough Civic Hospital.

Beryl Soldin of Norland and Hilda Clark represented District 18, Victoria-Haliburton Counties at a Membership Seminar of STO, the Superannuated Teachers of Ontario on May 1 in Toronto. (Superannuated means pensioned off.) There are over 30,000 members in STO, which is about 75% of the retired teachers in Ontario. How involved in all manners of volunteer activities these people are!

While in Toronto at the seminar, I managed to see the Mousetrap, now in its 19th year there. What a treat to be able to take in Three Tall Women at the

Royal Alexander Theatre. That was simply wonderful as was opening night of the National Ballet of Canada's company premiere of Manon with Canadian Martine Lamy dancing her heart out. To finish off my spring "arts tour" was a visit to the AGO, Art Gallery of Ontario for The OH! CANADA Project.

What a wonderful variety of arts are available to people of Ontario. Last week a busload of Haliburton area people enjoyed Sunset Blvd. in North York. One of the best parts of that trip was seeing some of the interesting items in a special exhibit in the lobby. These were from the collection of Keith Stata and his Highlands Cinema. The program includes a whole page mainly about the Kinmount Collection and Cinema. Must hit Kinmount just as soon as the season starts. The show and cast were okay too.



Friends and family gathered for the wedding of Jack Spencley and Doreen Bullied on April 27, 1996 at Zion United Church. The couple is enjoying a honeymoon trip out west and will reside on Scotch Line Road in Minden. Friends at *The Echo* wish them many years of happiness

Calling all volunteers: Guild of Fine Arts needs your help

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to volunteer, or know someone who would like to volunteer...call Thom Lambert at the Rails' End Gallery, 457-2330.

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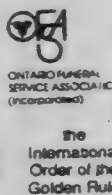
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Tender documents and specifications will be available from:

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Peterborough, Ontario K9J 7B1

Sealed tenders will be accepted only at the Purchasing Department, Room 126 Daniel Building, up to 3:00pm local time, Tuesday May 21, 1996. The tenders will be publicly opened at 3:05pm, Tuesday May 21, 1996 in Room 124 at 526 McDonnell Street.

All interested parties are asked to attend a site meeting on Tuesday, May 7, 1996 at 2:00pm at 526 McDonnell Street, Room 124. Consideration given only to those in attendance.

For further information, please contact Mrs. Sandy Lawrence, Director of Purchasing at (705) 743-5750.

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Sealed tenders marked "Board House" will be accepted until 12:00 noon on Friday May 24, 1996 and should be forwarded to:

James E. Bradley, Superintendent of Business
Haliburton County Board of Education
P.O. Box 507
Haliburton Ontario K0M 1S0

TOWNSHIPS OF GALWAY AND CAVENDISH NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF the proposed By-law of the Townships of Galway and Cavendish to stop up, close and convey to the adjoining landowners portions of the original allowance for road along the shore of Crystal Lake, in the Township of Galway;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Section 300 (1)(a) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Council of the Townships of Galway and Cavendish proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Township Municipal Office in the Township of Galway on Tuesday the 11th day of JUNE, 1996 at 8:00 P.M., By-law to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

A) Part(s) 1, 4 & 6 45R-6378

Registered in the Registry Office in Peterborough, and to sell and convey the respective parts to the respective lot owners adjoining the said respective parts, or their nominees.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT before the passing of the said By-law at its regular meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned the Council of the Townships of Galway and Cavendish will then and there hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected by the said By-laws and who applies to be heard.

Dated at the Townships of Galway and Cavendish, Kinmount, Ontario this 03rd day of May, 1996.

Jeunne A. Simpson, AMCT
Deputy Clerk
Townships of Galway Cavendish
KINMOUNT, Ontario K0M 2A0

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SHERBORNE, MCCLINTOCK, LIVINGSTONE, LAWRENCE AND NIGHTINGALE

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Sherborne, McClintock, Livingstone, Lawrence and Nightingale proposes to enact a By-Law to stop up, close and sell that part of the original shore road allowance set out and described as follows:

Township of McClintock, County of Haliburton, being part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 2, Concession 2, Township of McClintock, designated as Part 2 on Plan 19R-6153.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Council Chambers, Municipal Building, Main Street, Dorset, Ontario, on the 10th day of June, 1996 at the hour of 9:00 o'clock 1a.m. and at that time the Council will hear any person or by his Counsel, Solicitor or Agent any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

DATED: April 25, 1996

Diane J. Griffin,
Clerk-Treasurer,
Corporation of the township of
Sherborne, McClintock,
Livingstone, Lawrence and
Nightingale

This original shore road allowance is located in front of Lot 2, Concession 2, Township of McClintock, along the shore of Tock Lake (Otter Lake) and upon being closed and stopped up will be sold to owners of land abutting.

Part 2 - Ferreira

THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF HALIBURTON PUBLIC NOTICE

WE THE UNDERSIGNED DO HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY OF HALIBURTON TO ACT AS OUR AGENTS IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION TO STOP UP, CLOSE AND CONVEY THAT PORTION OF THE COUNTY ROAD SITUATED IN LOT 12 CONCESSION VII, DESIGNATED AS PARTS 1, 2 AND 3 OF REFERENCE PLAN 19R 6193, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF DYSART.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Sections 297 and 300 of the Municipal ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.45, as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of The County of Haliburton proposes to consider if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the County of Haliburton Administration Office Building, in the town of Minden, Ontario, on July 17, 1996, at 11:00am., a by-law to Stop Up, Close and Convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows: Part of Lot 12, Concession VII, in the Township of Dysart in the County of Haliburton, designated as Parts 1, 2 and 3 on Reference Plan No. 19R 6193.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-law at its meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Council of the County of Haliburton shall then and there hear in person, or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-law and who applies to be heard.

For more information on the proposed by-law, or to inspect the respective plan of survey, please contact **Brian W Mulholland** at the County of Haliburton Roads Department, 3 St. Germain Street, Minden, Ontario. Telephone (705) 286-1762.

Office Hours: 8:30am. to 4:30pm. Monday to Friday.
Dated at the Township of Minden this 29th day of April 1996.

Leslie A. Shepherd, P. Eng.
County Engineer
P.O. Box 880
Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0

NOTICES

Dorset pitches in to clean up village

by PHYLLIS BRISCOE

"Pitch in Day" is Saturday, May 11 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. All the debris and garbage in general that has accumulated along the roadside over the winter will be gathered up and collected by trucks which will deposit at the landfill sites. The effort has been organized by the Sherborne et al for the Dorset area, with groups from the various organizations working on certain areas. There will be a barbecue at the Centre when the work is finished.

Birthday greetings to Frank Drinkwater, Veronica Anderson, McKenzie Drinkwater, Mary Speilberg, Brady Anger and Alec Gervais.

I have been accused of putting everyone else's birthday in the news but not my own. My mother told me that it snowed on the day I was born which was May 7, 1906. So 90 years ago our weather wasn't too great either. I am told that you are only old once so make the most of it. How to attain or add on a few more years than one expects, which I consider a privileged bonus, I can only suggest one

thing. Choose the right parents.

On Saturday, May 18, there will be an Arts and Crafts Sale at the Dorset Rec Centre, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is still vendor space available. This is the Victoria Day weekend.

The Lake of Bays Anglican Parish held their end of the month three-way service at St. Mary Magdalenes, Dorset, after which a delicious lunch was served and a social time enjoyed. It was a beautiful sunny day and the service

was well attended.

The ice in the lake is gradually disappearing but it is going to be a late departure. It is usually gone in April but it looks as though we will be into May before we are rid of it. In the early days when the Iroquois and other steam boats plied the waters, their aim was for the first of May to make their first trip to Dorset, but I remember one year it being May 1 before the lake was free of ice and they were able to navigate safely. The first boat of the season was a big event and the kids all wanted a holiday from school so they could "meet the boat."

The Echo would like to extend best wishes on Mrs. Briscoe's 90th birthday!



CALORIE COUNTERS SALUTE "BIG LOSERS": Calorie Counters held its annual convention at PineStone this past weekend and as part of the festivities – which included a fashion show by Home Town Fashions – the women who had lost the most weight were crowned. In this photo from left are: Karen Tomasseti, national vice-president; "queen" Joan Cooper of West Guilford, who as a member of Minden Slender Seekers, lost the most weight nationwide in one year (31 pounds); runner-up Wendy Hughes of Lennoxville, Quebec (28 pounds); national president Joan Crosby.

Morning fitness fun for residents

Monday Doug helped us with Fun and Fitness in the morning and Marg and Pat came in to add to our sing a long band.

Tuesday Betty Salvatori led the Bible Study and Donna, Mary, and Murriel helped us enjoy our weekly Bingo.

On Wednesday Doug rushed in to add a special touch to our Fun and Fitness again, and in the afternoon Donna came with her trusty little yellow box of Trivia.

On Thursday we were fortunate

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Barb Fryer

to have Doug assist in our Fun and Fitness, and in the afternoon the United Church Pastoral Care Committee put on a wonderful Tea. The Goodies were great, and it was an unusual pleasure to have gentlemen in the group helping.

Friday morning Pastor Bob

Powers and his group from Allsaw Pentecostal Church led a wonderful service and a beautiful hymn sing; we were even blessed by a solo from his daughter.

May 3 - July 28 has been designated SummerActive 96. We will be encouraging Staff and Residents to be more active, and we'll be holding a few contests to make it more fun. Maybe you could think of ways you could improve your activity?

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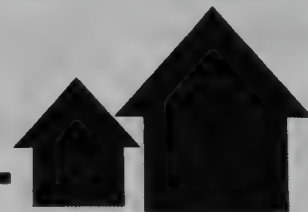
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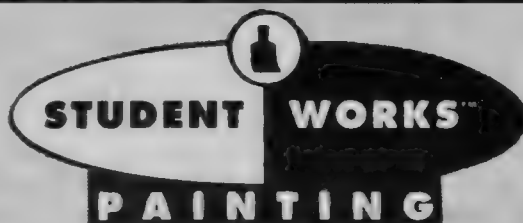
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TUNE UP TIME:

A vehicle's ignition system can be the source of major problems if it's not serviced and maintained. An ignition tuneup is an important part of spring car care. Above, James Hosken of County Auto and Rad in Haliburton checks a distributor for signs of cracking and wear.

Tuneups help ensure trouble free driving

Today's high-tech automobiles can accumulate tens of thousands of kilometres with very little evidence of wear. Despite the longevity, cars still need to be inspected regularly to avoid costly repairs down the road.

One area often overlooked is the ignition system. Battery connections and spark plug wires are essential parts in every car that many times go unchecked too long.

In most cases, that all-to-

familiar sound of a grinding starter barely turning an engine over can be traced back to the battery.

Batteries lose their charge over time, especially in cold weather, and cable connections can corrode. A certified technician can test the strength of a battery's charge. If there is any corrosion where the cables connect to the battery, they should be thoroughly cleaned.

Batteries and corrosion go hand-in-hand. The terminals need to be cleaned and checked

regularly. They are simple enough to check, and it could save time and money in the long run if there is a problem.

Another area often overlooked is the spark plug wires. A number of signs to look for when checking the wires include corroded and torn boots, and cracks and abrasions in the wires.

The boots will corrode and tear from excessive vibrations, while heat may cause rubber insulation to crack. Abrasions can occur when a stretched wire

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Give your car the care it needs after a long winter

Like a friend your car has faithfully carried you through another trying winter, having been subjected to all the diabolical elements nature could unleash upon it. Now spring has arrived and this is payback time. A few hours of tender loving care is needed to help your car shake off all traces of winter and prepare it for summer use.

A thorough clean-up both inside and out is the first step. On the first clear and blustery day move the car into the driveway and air it out by opening the doors and the trunk lid. Remove the mats and check the carpet for dampness. Turf out all of the debris that has accumulated during the winter, particularly under the seats. Wash out the ashtrays to remove the unpleasant odours and vacuum the carpets and seats. Complete the interior spring clean-up by wiping down all of the windows and the vinyl surfaces with appropriate cleaners. If you are fortunate enough to have leather upholstery, follow the instructions in your owners manual regarding periodic care.

Obviously the car's exterior suffered the full force of winter and it is still vulnerable to its arch enemy - road salt. Higher temperatures and humidity during spring are perfect for salt to start the corrosion process. Poultices of salt and sand can build up in body crevices during the winter. Wheel wells are particularly vulnerable. Blast away the salt and sand using a pressure nozzle on your garden hose. But avoid spraying too close to the engine. Delicate components such as alternators can be easily damaged by over zealous spraying.

Next wash down the car using a car wash soap. These products are kinder to your car's paint work than dish-washing detergent.

Finally use some elbow grease and give the exterior a coat of polish. Even newer paints will deliver a renewed lustre. Note any rock chips or rust marks in the paint surface and touch up as required.

Now take a walk around the car checking for burnt out light bulbs and examine the condition of the wiper blades and tires. Regarding the latter, check for correct inflation pressure, including the spare, and check the extent and type of tread wear; this should be done twice a month on a year round basis.

Under the hood check all fluid levels including engine oil, automatic transmission fluid, brake fluid, coolant and battery cell fluid. To be environmentally conscious, you may wish to replace the windshield washer with a mixture of water and a touch of dishwashing soap. Check fan and drive belts for signs of hardening and cracking and rubber hoses for signs of deterioration such as bulging by the hose clips, and for leaks. Check the radiator tank seams and honeycomb for the tell-tale stains that appear with coolant leaks. Replace all belts and hoses every four years, no matter what their condition is.

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Winter can be tough on tires

Have someone check for uneven wear, rim damage and balance problems

Winter has been severe. Cold has caused potholes in the surface of many highways.

Inspecting your car's tires and wheels is especially important this spring.

Think for a moment ...

Have you or family members hit any potholes,

curbs or object in the road? Does your car drift to the side on a smooth, level road? do you have to turn the steering wheel slightly to keep the car moving in a straight line? Is there uneven wear across the treads of your car's tires?

Answering "yes" to any of these questions means

Don't neglect alignment

additional inspection is necessary.

Hitting potholes and objects on the road can bend the wheel rim, especially on small cars. And hitting a pothole at highway speeds can cause a tire to deflate while still on

the damaged wheel.

Check the rim's edge, inside and out, for irregularities. Also look for tell-tale bulges on the tread or sidewalls of the tire. Bulges could mean a broken ply under the rubber. Air pressure inside the tire

will seep out this weak spot and cause you trouble.

For safety, replace wheels with bent rims and tires with bulges.

Hitting curbs causes another type of problem. For example, a severe glancing blow can cause a wheel to wobble. To check, jack up the curb-

side wheels and rotate each slowly by hand. Or, have someone drive your car slowly toward and away from you in an empty parking lot. Sight down the edge of the wheel to make sure it's running true.

Not everyone is comfortable with these personal inspections. If you're not, pay a mechanic to do them. The best time to get them done is when you're having the oil and filter changed.

Replacing a damaged wheel or tire doesn't end your checks. A professional wheel alignment inspection is a good investment if visual inspections find anything amiss.

Remember, a premium replacement tire costs \$100 or more. Spending a third or half that to confirm alignment is a smart investment.

Don't forget, also, that many late-model cars with front wheel drive have independent rear suspension, which calls for checking alignment on rear wheels as well as front.

Keep an eye on your car. "Eyeballing" isn't a precise method of spotting potential trouble areas. It will, however, let you spot many problems that require more detailed attention from professional technicians.

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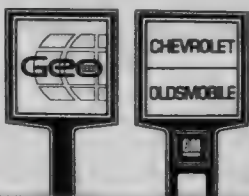


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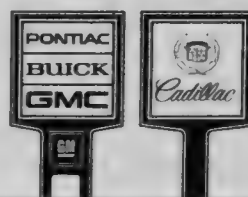
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Tuneups save fuel, ensure reliability

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comes in contact with another object. Also, a spark plug wire soaked in oil may not perform up to par.

Warning signs of trouble include misfire during acceleration, hard starting and reduced gas mileage.

Damaged wires can carry electrical current to the spark plugs, but the charge may not be as strong as it should be. Trouble with wires can lead to bigger trouble down the road, including towing charges and large repair bills.

Just because your car starts every day doesn't mean the ignition system shouldn't be inspected on a regular basis.

Preventive maintenance will help keep you on the road, especially when it comes to the ignition system. Nothing can ruin a vacation trip quicker than a mechanical breakdown on the highway, especially one that costs a bundle to fix.

Simple steps prevent most car problems

Automobile technicians know that motorists can keep their car running safely by following a few basic steps.

Yet nationwide tests by the Canadian Automobile Association show thousands of people consistently ignore the basics and risk serious car trouble.

Working from CAA Diagnostic centres and mobile diagnostic vans, CAA technicians have tested nearly 100,000 vehicles across Canada since 1984.

Among vehicles tested, CAA found that 43 percent had worn or under-inflated tires, 30 percent had worn or misadjusted belts, 30 percent were overdue for an oil change or were low on oil, 26 percent had emissions problems and 21 percent needed battery maintenance.

"Motorists should pay more attention to routine maintenance procedures that can dramatically

affect the performance and reliability of their vehicles," said Ron Horton, Director of Club Service, CAA Peterborough.

"Taking a few minutes each week to inspect the car can mean the difference between a safe trip and being stuck at roadside," Horton said.

Motorists should begin the summer driving season by having their car inspected by a good technician - and serviced, if necessary.

Motorists should check the oil, battery and tires each week. Proper oil levels and battery condition are essential to starting a car when the

temperature drops. Tires that are correctly inflated and in good condition offer the most traction on rain slick roads.

Other items, such as belts and emission levels, require the help of a mechanic.

Motorists should begin the summer driving season by having their car inspected by a good technician - and serviced, if necessary. The cost of an inspection is minimal compared to the hundreds of dollars in costs that a breakdown can incur.



Parts to go for cars and trucks...

Local car care professionals as well as do-it-yourself enthusiasts find the parts they need at UAP Auto Parts in Haliburton. Owner Jim Richards, above, and his staff, provide next day delivery of any parts they don't already have in their extensive inventory. Above, Jim Richards talks with a customer.

Timing, spark plugs matter

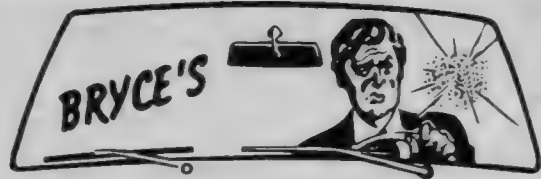
Electronic ignition systems standard equipment on most late model cars, were designed to help keep emissions low, but they still require periodic maintenance.

Largely due to requirements stemming from emissions control, the car makers began using the electronic ignition systems to provide more voltage to fire a wider gapped spark plug.

The new systems eliminate breaker points and condensers and replace them with magnetic components that trigger the system for secondary voltage. However, many of the components of the electronic system are the same as in conventional ignitions and maintenance requirements are not too dissimilar.

The condition of the coil, distributor cap and rotor must still be checked. Correct timing is critical to proper operation. Spark plugs are still subject to fouling from contaminants present in the combustion process such as carbon, calcium, barium, etc. And ignition wiring can still deteriorate or suffer damage, causing misfire.

Therefore, an annual ignition system service is still recommended, electronic system or not.



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Maintenance pays off for your peace of mind

IF you thought last winter was tough on your automobile, just add the punishment of summer's heat, dust, and stop-and-go traffic. Without routine maintenance, your vehicle could be poised for a breakdown.

The money you spend on regular, periodic maintenance should pay for itself in peace of mind and longer vehicle life — up to 50 percent longer, according to master auto technicians.

Getting Started

The best planning guide is your owner's manual. Read it, and follow the manufacturer's recommended service schedules.

• **Air-Conditioning** — A marginally operating air-conditioning system will fail in hot weather. Have the system examined by a technician who is certified in air-conditioning repair and service. You'll be doing the

Environment a favor, too, since poorly maintained air-conditioners can leak ozone-depleting chemicals into the atmosphere.

• **Cooling System** — The greatest cause of summer breakdowns is over-heating. The tightness and condition of drive belts, clamps and hoses should be checked by a pro. The cooling

system should be completely flushed and refilled about every 24 months. The level, condition and concentration of the coolant should be checked periodically. (A 50/50 mix of antifreeze and water is usually recommended.) Do-it-yourselfers, wait until the engine has cooled before remov-

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Al Bunn of Triple T Transmission in Irondale specializes in repairing and rebuilding car and light truck transmissions, an intricate job that takes a high degree of skill, knowledge and experience.

Spark plugs should be replaced regularly

A spark plug may look good to the casual observer after 15,000, 20,000 or even 30,000 miles.

So why change plugs after 10,000 miles of use in your family car?

There's a good reason according to experts. The 10,000 mile change recommendation is not actually based on the fact that spark plugs are "worn out" in the strictest sense after 10,000 miles of service.

This figure — selected after

extensive spark plug life tests — merely represents a safety factor beyond which plugs may misfire under the sudden demands of peak acceleration or extremely heavy load.

It also represents the point at which gas economy begins to drop. In addition, the car is harder to start, power is lost in passing.

A spark plug is considered worn out when it reaches the point where it is likely to misfire — regardless of its appearance. And, contrary to

popular opinion, misfiring doesn't necessarily mean the plug didn't create a spark. It means simply that the plug failed to ignite the gasoline properly — whether a spark was produced or not!

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Rotating tires extends their useful life

Then there's the story about the tight-fisted guy who installed his snow tires on the rear wheels of his front wheel drive car so they'd last longer.

True, tires do wear better on the back end of a front drive vehicle, about 2 1/2 times longer than the front when all wheels are properly aligned. This fact occasionally raises a controversy about the pros and cons of tire rotation (periodic switching location of tires on the car). Is it better to keep the same tires on the rear and replace only the front tires when they wear out?

Not such a good idea, Front wheels not only carry most of the weight of a front drive vehicle, they also provide steering, braking and propulsion. So it stands to reason that they deserve healthy tires. If wheels are not rotated, the front tires would be worn thin while the back ones still would look nearly like new.

One reason for rotating tires is to keep the wear as even as possible. A tire which remains in one position throughout its life may wear unevenly because of such factors as passenger weight variations from one part of the car to another, pull of the crown of the road of certain handling characteristics of the vehicle when tires can share these stresses with other members of the "team," putting their tour of duty on each corner of the vehicle, they all wear at about the same rate.

Most cars are equipped with the small space-saver: spare tires which cannot be included in rotation, so recommended pattern is a modified criss-cross left front to right rear, right front to left rear, left rear to left front and right rear to right front.

Note: Certain types of tires have directional treads, designed to rotate in one direction only. These should be switched front to rear, same side.

If the vehicle is equipped with more than one type of tire, I.E. belted and radial, rotate those tires on the same axle to avoid serious handling abnormalities.

Maximum tire life depends upon periodic attention to wheel alignment (often of all four wheels on front drive cars), balancing, inflation and, of course, rotation.

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ing the radiator cap. Do not dump old antifreeze/coolant into streams or sewers.

• Oil – Change your oil and oil filter as specified in your manual – more often (every 3,000 miles) if you make frequent short trips, plan extended travel with lots of luggage, or if you tow a trailer. Many repair shops will accept your used oil; never dump it on the ground or into streams or sewers.

Engine Performance

Replace other filters (air, fuel, PCV, etc.) as recommended –

more often in dusty conditions. Have engine driveability problems (hard starts, rough idling, diminished power, etc.) corrected at a good shop with modern testing equipment and certified technicians. In addition to getting better gas mileage, you'll help lessen air pollution by keeping your engine at peak performance.

• Windshield Wipers – A dirty windshield causes eye fatigue and can pose a safety hazard. Replace worn blades and keep plenty of windshield washer solvent on hand to combat insects and road construction dust.

• Tires – Have your tires rotated about every 5,000 miles. Check tire pressures once a month; let the tires "cool down" first. Examine each tire for tread life, uneven wearing and cupping; check the sidewalls for cuts and nicks. An alignment is warranted if there's uneven tread wear or if your vehicle "pulls" on a flat, level roadway. Don't forget to check your spare, and be sure the jack is in good condition. Properly maintained tires last longer, saving you money and reducing the burden at landfills.

• Brakes – Brakes should be

inspected as recommended in your manual, sooner if you notice pulsations, grabbing, noises or longer stopping distance. Minor brake problems should be corrected promptly.

• Battery – Batteries can fail any time of year. The only accurate way to detect a weak battery is with professional equipment, but most people can perform routine care; scrape corrosion from posts and cable connections; clean all surfaces; retighten connections. If battery caps are removable, check the fluid level monthly. Wear protective eye gear and gloves.

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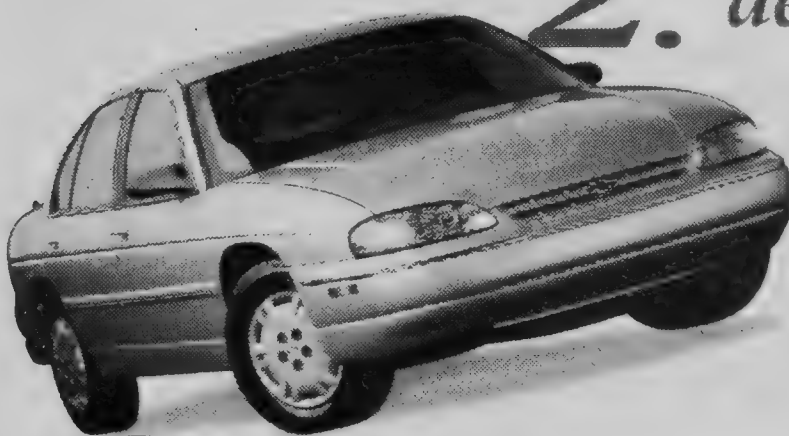
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Know your antifreeze I.Q. before your car overheats this summer

Despite efforts to educate people about the importance of properly maintaining their cooling systems by changing their antifreeze annually, it comes as a surprise to find that many have

never had their cooling systems serviced at all. And some people think antifreeze is only important for winter driving. It's no wonder that cooling system failure continues to be the No. 1 engine-related cause of roadside

breakdowns in this country.

By taking an active interest in your car's cooling system and learning more about proper maintenance procedures, many of these breakdowns can be avoided. The first step in this process is to test your Antifreeze I.Q. To do this, ask yourself these simple questions:

Question 1: Have you checked or changed your antifreeze in the past year?

Question 2: Does your current antifreeze meet your car manufacturer's required freeze-up and boil-over protection standards, which are listed in your owner's manual?

Question 3: Does your current antifreeze provide protection against rust and corrosion in your vehicle's cooling system?

If you answered no to any of these questions, it's time to change your antifreeze to one that will properly work with your cooling system.

Antifreeze is one of the most important fluids used in your car's engine. Not only does it protect the engine from boiling over in hot summer weather and freezing in winter, it also prevents damaging rust and corrosion buildup in the cooling system. To keep your cooling system running, it's important to have your antifreeze changed annually. In fact, it's easy to do

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The right stuff...

Proper lubrication ensures that steering components work smoothly and remain safe. Above, Harry Hutchings of Stan's Shell in Haliburton pumps grease into a front end fitting. Vehicles should be serviced in this way every 5,000 kilometres, along with an engine oil and filter change.

SPRING CAR TIPS:

Spring maintenance tasks for every vehicle should include:

- Flushing the radiator and replacing the antifreeze. Checking the battery fluid level and at the same time, clearing off any corrosion on the terminals.
- Looking at the condition of the air cleaner. If it's clogged dust and grime, it should be replaced. Otherwise, not enough air gets through to the carburetor, which can

result in poor combustion and wasted fuel, along with reduced performance.

- Checking the engine oil; pulling out the dipstick and wiping it clean, pushing the dipstick back down all the way, then pulling out the dipstick and looking at the oil level.
- Keeping the windshield washer bottle filled; inspecting the condition of the wiper blades as well. Winter weather can crack and deteriorate the rubber and it's a good idea to replace the blades if they are more than one year old.



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SOUND ADVICE:

Squeaking or squealing belts are a sign that adjustments are needed. Don't ignore these noises or you risk being stranded

Serpentine belts are rapidly replacing the traditional V-shaped belts that have been the mainstay of automotive engine drives for more than 70 years.

Today, more than 90 percent of the cars leaving Detroit (and some imports) have a single Micro-V or V-ribbed serpentine belt that drives multiple engine accessories. These include the water pump, fan, power-steering pump, air-conditioner compressor and alternator.

This engine drive configuration saves weight and precious space in the engine compartment.

Serpentine belts should be checked periodically for signs of wear.

Impending Belt Failure

One indicator of belt wear, and impending failure, is belt noise — those annoying squeaks, squeals, chirps and growls coming from under the hood.

Older belts become smoother, creating a glossy, glazed surface that raises the likelihood of

noise. However, different noises can mean different kinds of problems.

Belt "chirping" (an intermittent, high-pitched, bird-like noise that can be heard as the engine is revved up) usually indicates pulley misalignment.

"Squealing," a more continuous sound that commonly occurs when pulling away from a stop, usually suggests incorrect belt tension.

Belt squeal can also be heard momentarily when the car is started after it has sat idle for a time, such as overnight.

The belt turns on the drive, it heats up. Then, it shrinks enough so the tension reaches its normal level, and the squeal stops.

However, when the engine is turned off and the belt cools, it expands again and the squeal will return upon engine restart.

Another common low-tension indicator occurs when a higher load is placed on the drive. For example, the belt runs fine until the air-conditioner is turned on.

A slapping sound is likely

caused by either loose belts, which need to be retensioned, or misalignment of the belt.

Check Belt Tension

Belt noise can also result from vibration caused when belts are loose or under-tensioned. Vibration may happen over time as bearings loosen up, as the accessory brackets become loose, or deflect more than expected.

Vibration can produce several different types of sounds. Chirping noises are possible if the vibration is bad enough, but at a level that is barely audible.

Contamination of the belt drive is perhaps the easiest cause of belt noise to identify.

The belt should be inspected for oil contamination or road grit in the belt grooves. Gravel will sometimes be pushed through to the backside of the belt, and the holes may be visible on the cover. Dirt accumulation on the belt may also be obvious.

If noise is an annoyance, have the belt drive inspected by a service technician.



Russ Martin of Rusty's Auto Service in Minden is shown using a computerized diagnostic system to service a vehicle. Rusty's now has five bays to serve their customers better.

Antifreeze plays critical role in summer cooling, so be sure it's adequate

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yourself:

Drain — When draining your cooling system, collect the used antifreeze in a sealable container instead of allowing it to drain onto the street or ground. Take the sealed container to a municipal drop-off site for used antifreeze or to a service station for recycling.

Flush — Flush the entire cooling system to remove rust deposits, grease, dirt, oily residue and used coolant that

can contaminate new antifreeze and make it less effective.

Refill — To provide boil-over protection to 265 degrees F and freeze protection to -34 degrees F, refill your cooling system with a minimum 50/50 mix of antifreeze and water. For even better protection, use a mixture of no more than 70-percent antifreeze/30-percent water.

Knowing your Antifreeze I.Q., and selecting the right antifreeze will help ensure trouble-free driving all summer and year long.

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Ten tips to help you buy the right tires:

With the right information, you'll know what your vehicle needs for the kind of driving you do

Since automobile tire buying is not a daily occurrence in our lives, walking into a tire store can be somewhat unsettling. It's even worse when an attendant offers help and we don't have a clue where to start. If you ask yourself these questions before you go to the store to buy tires, you'll be well-prepared for that helpful salesperson.

1. What is the make, model, and year of your car? This information gives the dealer an idea of what type of tire will perform the best and look the best on your car.

A tire that is designed for ride and comfort will not handle as crisply as a performance tire, and a performance tire will not ride as comfortably as a tire designed for comfort.

2. What is the brand name, model, size and type of your current tires? Just look at the side of your tires. If your current tires did not come with the car when it was new, be sure to check all four tires and make sure they are the same. The previous owner may

have been less knowledgeable about tires than you (For example: P185, 70HR13, blackwall.)

3. Do you like your current tires? Do you like the way your tires make your car feel and sound? Or how they make your car look? What would you like to change? Make a list of the things you like and dislike about your current tires. This will help guide your dealer to the tire that best meets your needs.

4. What do you want from your tires when you are driving? Do you want a soft, comfortable ride or do you want a tire that

has been built to harness your sports car's capabilities? You may want both, but this is difficult to achieve. A tire that is designed for ride and comfort

will not handle as crisply as a performance tire, and a performance tire will not ride as comfortably as a tire designed for comfort.

5. What weather conditions do you normally drive in year around? Are the roads mostly dry (summer tires), or are they usually wet (all-season tires)?

Do you ever drive in snow? If so, is it deep (snow tires) or just light snow (all-season tires)?

6. Where do you do your driving? Do you drive mostly around town? Then you probably don't need to spend extra money for a speed-related tire (unless your car came fitted with them). Do you drive frequently on gravel? Then there are certain tread designs you should avoid. The answer to this question can point your tire dealer to the most appropriate and cost-effective tire for your needs.

Be sure you know what you're getting for the price. It should include the price of the tire, tax, mounting, and balancing.

Local dealers carry a wide range of tires to meet most vehicle's needs,

whether cars or light trucks. 7. At what speeds do you normally travel? If you travel at higher speeds, or own a sports car, you may need a speed-related tire. However, if you always drive at moderate speeds, you probably do not need to go to the expense of buying a speed-related tire. On the other hand, if your car came from the factory with speed-rated tires, it may be in your best interest to replace them with the same speed rating. This will give your car the same handling characteristics to which you're accustomed.

8. How do you want your car to look? There are several "cosmetic" options for tires: Blackwall tires look good on modern and more performance-oriented cars. Whitewalls look good on many cars. Raised white letters and outline white letters are two more options. The profile of a tire is also a cosmetic consideration.

9. What kind of warranties do you want, or are available? Many manufacturers offer limited warranties which cover you for faulty workmanship and product defects. Many tire dealers also offer "road hazard warranties" for a small additional cost. This warranty covers your tire if a foreign object cuts or punctures it.

10. How much do you want to spend? Once you know the answers to the first nine questions, you're ready to consider price. Your dealer will be able to show you various price options for tires that meet your driving needs. You should also shop around. Prices on the same tire can vary from store to store.

Be sure you know what you're getting for the price. It should include the price of the tire, tax, mounting, and balancing. Some retailers who advertise tires do not offer the services of a tire dealer. You should consider total value, not the advertised price, when you're considering where to purchase your tires.



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Radiators aren't what they were

It may look the same, but your radiator isn't what it used to be. Today, 70 percent of new cars and light trucks are being manufactured with aluminum-based radiators. By the year 2000, 96 percent of all new cars will be produced with aluminum radiators. The reasons? Aluminum radiators are thin and lightweight. The benefit to motorists is increased fuel efficiency.

The downside is that these radiators are under tremendous stress from today's smaller, hotter-running engines. In fact, this year, nearly half a million aluminum radiators will pit, corrode and

fail. The best way to make sure your aluminum radiator won't fail is to protect it with a high-quality antifreeze/coolant.

Remember, the No. 1 cause of engine-related roadside breakdowns is cooling-system failure. Many of these breakdowns could have been avoided by taking preventive measures, like changing the antifreeze once a year.

As today's automobile manufacturers work to design fuel-efficient cars using lighter-weight metals, regular maintenance becomes even more critical. Make sure you change your antifreeze regularly to keep your car operating trouble free.

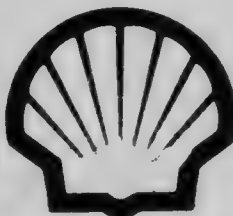


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Further, if you've neglected mechanical maintenance, hitting the brake pedal may be only the beginning of your crisis. Erratic braking action can make a bad

emergency situation worse, as it can pull your car right into the accident—or it may not stop at all.

Despite recent advancements in braking system design, including anti-lock brakes, this vital safety system is among the most neglected on our motor vehicles and a leading mechanical cause of accidents.

The chain of events that occur in your car's braking system is as strong as its weakest link. A malfunction of any part of the system can cause erratic brakes

or complete failure.

The pressure of your foot against the pedal is transferred to the hydraulic master cylinder, where pressurized fluid is fed to hydraulic cylinders at the four wheels.

On disc brakes, the caliper causes friction pads to squeeze the spinning rotor (like brake calipers squeezing the rim of a bike wheel), slowing or stopping the wheel. On rear wheel drum brakes, a wheel cylinder receives the pressure and forces the brake shoes against the rotating drums.

Some vehicles have disc brakes or drum brakes on all four wheels; most have a combination of disc on front, drum on rear. In every case, it's friction that stops the vehicle. Motion energy is converted to heat, which is dissipated by air cooling the rotors and drums.

Simple as the process may sound, it involves a complex system of parts that must function in concert. Friction and heat, combined with exposure to the elements and road contamination, lead to wear and deterioration of the braking system. Periodic inspection and service is essential.

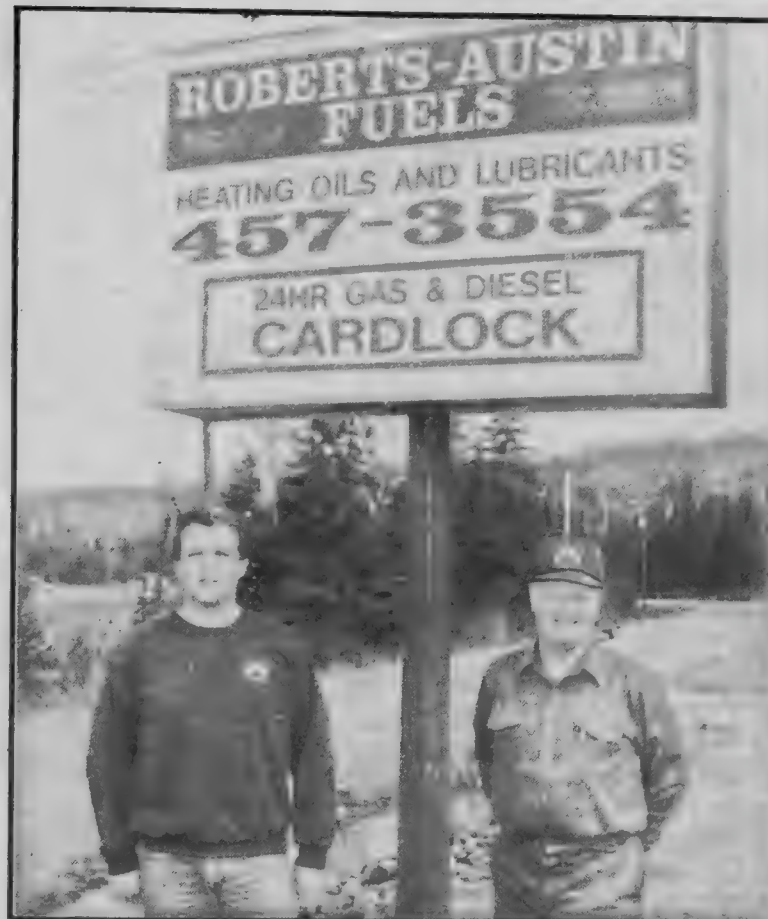
The high cost of engine neglect: wasted fuel, polluted air, lost power

What do a worn spark plug and sour milk have in common? Both represent waste. Anyone who puts up with an ailing, misfiring engine may be allowing one gallon of gas in four to spew, unburned, out the exhaust pipe.

An ailing engine also loses power and runs poorly, usually shuddering and shaking on acceleration. Further more, one can expect his neglected engine to be undependable: auto clubs receive more emergency road-service calls for starting trouble than for any other cause. This service is one more expense that can be averted through proper car care.

Computer technology plays a major role in the operation of the modern engine's fuel, ignition and emissions control systems. These controls automatically compensate for many malfunctions, sometimes camouflaging trouble which eventually could disable the vehicle.

Preventive maintenance means spending money to save money and inconvenience in the long run.



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Damage Starts Inside
During four years of field tests

on fleet vehicles, engineers for The Gates Rubber Company identified the primary cause of coolant hose failure as an electrochemical attack on the tube compound inside the hose.

The phenomenon, known as electrochemical degradation, or ECD, produces fine cracks, or striations, in the tube wall. These fine cracks extend from the inside to the outside of the hose tube, near one or both ends of the hose. The coolant seeps through these cracks and attacks the hose reinforcement as it wicks along the length of the hose. The condition eventually

results in a pinhole leak or a burst hose at failure.

ECD is not peculiar to any one automotive manufacturer, but is evident in almost all cooling system hoses. The most severe damage occurs where the temperature is hottest and air is present with the coolant, which is why upper radiator hoses tend to fail first.

Like oxidation, ECD is accelerated by driving habits that increase the heat history of the coolant hose. Therefore, engine hoses that are subjected to any extended amount of stop-and-go, or engine idle, show earlier and more severe electrochemical damage.

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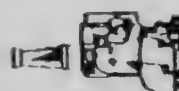
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Have you checked your exhaust system lately? If you're like most motorists, the answer is no. Unless your car is offending others with deafening noise or belching black smoke, why bother checking the exhaust system?

According to Nick Macaluso, engineering program manager for a leading manufacturer of exhaust systems, there are plenty of reasons.

"If a leak develops anywhere in your exhaust system, fumes drifting upward through holes and crevices in the underbody and into the passenger compartment can make people in the car sick," says Macaluso.

An exhaust system is

more than just the muffler; it's a series of pipes connected to the muffler that run under the car to control noise and funnel exhaust fumes away from the vehicle. Other main components include exhaust pipes (which connect to exhaust manifolds), tailpipes, installation hardware and catalytic converters.

Exhaust systems are particularly vulnerable to wear and tear, so inspections are important, Macaluso says.

"Snow, ice, flying stones and even rough roads can damage your exhaust system," he explains. "What's more, a tiny hole can allow enough exhaust fumes to seep into the car, causing drowsiness and headaches. If someone suspects dam-

age, they should get the system inspected or simply check it themselves."

Checking an exhaust system for wear and tear should be done three to four times a year at changes of seasons. Macaluso recommends:

- looking for white, powdery deposits on pipe joints and connections to the manifold. This usually means that a gasket is leaking or that the bolts holding the joint together are loose.

- starting the engine, then watching and listening to the exhaust-pipe joint. If you see exhaust puffing through the joint or hear a popping sound, the gasket may need replacing or bolts may need tightening.

- looking from beneath the car at every part of the exhaust system for cracks, holes, extreme rusting and general damage.

- tapping each part of the exhaust system, except the

catalytic converter, with a wrench. A roadworthy part will emit a ringing noise, while a worn or damaged one will produce a dull thud.

- checking to see if hanger assemblies are intact. Broken assemblies will cause an otherwise sound pipe or muffler to bang against another part of the car and become damaged.

How long should an exhaust system last?

Most of the newer cars are equipped with exhaust systems made of stainless-steel parts, so they last longer — anywhere from five to eight years. If a system is not made of stainless steel, it lasts about two to three years.

Moisture is the key. If you drive long distances, your system is more apt to stay dry, due to the heat. If you do a lot of stop-and-go driving, or if your car sits still for long periods, there's more of a chance for moisture to collect.

Stop and go driving puts strain on vehicle hoses

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recommended for fleet vehicles, such as taxis, police cars and delivery vans, that are subject to significant stop-and-go driving and the resulting high engine and coolant temperatures.

An electrochemically resistant (ECR) hose that resists the destructive effects of ECD has been developed. This stock, which is expected to

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Worn-out or damaged shock absorbers, struts and springs do more than make you seasick. They can undermine your car's handling ability, causing tires and other components to wear prematurely. To prevent this, drivers should inspect their vehicle's suspension at least twice a year.

"You should look under your car to check the springs, struts, shock absorbers, and various links and rubber mounts that comprise the suspension," says Terry Heffelfinger, manager of product planning at Monroe Auto Equipment, which provides shocks and struts to most major

automotive-replacement outlets. "Very often, someone might have hit the world's largest pothole — or piece of ice — in February, and the effects of the damage might not manifest themselves until July. Most drivers tend to forget about those instances, because there's no immediate damage."

When inspecting shock absorbers, struts and springs for

wear and tear, Heffelfinger suggests the following:

- Check that the springs are properly seated, top and bottom;
- Check for cracks or obvious deformation of the coils;
- Check the shock absorber tubes for dents, dings or cracks;
- Carefully inspect the shocks for signs of leaking oil on the tubes; and
- Inspect the upper and lower

mounts of the shocks for loose or missing mount bolts, and missing or broken rubber bushings.

"If any mounts are broken or any of the shocks or springs are physically damaged, they must be replaced," Heffelfinger says. "In fact, if one shock or spring on the front or rear is bad, both units should be replaced as a pair. This prevents overwearing on the other side."

For motorists who don't want to get under their vehicles, Heffelfinger suggests a simpler inspection.

"With the car on the ground, push down each corner of the vehicle in turn, and let the spring and shock absorber bounce it back up," he says. "If the corner of the car bounces more than twice, that shock absorber is due to be replaced."

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automotive-replacement outlets. "It's definitely worth it, because a worn suspension can lead to a number of other problems that can be unsafe and very expensive."

According to Heffelfinger, a worn-out or damaged suspension can result in:

- loss of control during sudden stops or changes of direction;
- excessive swerving when passing another vehicle;
- hopping sideways on rough, bumpy or potholed pavement;
- poor braking; and
- accelerated tire wear.

Because of the many ride-control products available that are vehicle-specific, consumers have a choice when replacing shocks and struts.

"The average life for shock absorbers has increased in recent years, but a lot depends on what kind of driving you do," says Heffelfinger. "If you do nothing but freeway driving, your shock absorbers may last longer, but if you spend a lot of time driving back roads with hard turns and rough surfaces, it may be shorter."

Heffelfinger emphasizes the importance of continually checking a vehicle's suspension, because shock-absorber or strut damage may have occurred without the driver suspecting it. Inspections should be done at 25,000 miles.

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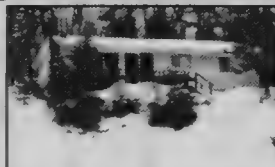
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HUTCHINSON, LAWRENCE "LARRY" (Formerly of Gormley, Ontario): Following a brief illness at Peterborough Civic Hospital on May 1, 1996 in his 58th year. Beloved husband of Lorraine Hall. Loving father of Kevin and his wife Anita of Holland Landing. Predeceased by his parents Oliver and Annie Hutchinson and infant brother Delmer and sister Marian. Fondly remembered by his mother-in-law Dorothy Hall of Aurora, Bill, Sandra and Gale Hall of Gormley and Scott and Gloria Paisley of Stouffville. Friends were invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton (705) 457-9209 on Sunday, May 5, 1996 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Family, friends and acquaintances joined with the family in the celebration of Larry's life at 11 o'clock in the Funeral Home Chapel on Monday morning, May 6, 1996. Reception followed at the West Guilford Community Centre. Interment Maple Lake United Church Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy donations to

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the Eagle Lake Community Church, Eagle Lake, Ontario, KOM 1M0 would be appreciated by the family. CA

AT REST
Peacefully at the Hanover Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, April 30, 1996
LAURA H. ENGEL
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BRYANT, LUELLA - In memory of a dear mother, grandmother and mother-in-law, who passed away May 7, 1991. Life brings much that alters, Time brings much that's new, One thing never alters, That's memories dear, of you. Fondly remembered by **Brad, RuthAnne and Kevin.**

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April 30. Family present were Sid and Louise Cooper, Toby West,

Al and Marie Cooper, Eve and Duncan Bradley, and Earl and Eleanor Cooper with the guest of honour. The special cake by Rachel's was both attractive and tasty, and the dinner served, superb!

Forty-four mothers, daughters and friends enjoyed a very "chick" evening at LIFT on Thursday. After a delicious pot luck supper all were entertained by a skit, a poem and sharing about mothers. Music was provided by Sarah Hutchinson and Alice Jones.

Because of my few days' absence in Orillia the column will be somewhat different. The LIFT items were contributed by Alice Jones, with many thanks. The Plea, however, is all mine!

A Plea
Anyone come your way today?

Anyone unexpected?
Anything happen out of synch?

Anything unconnected?
Was there a note from a distant place;

A call from a friend afar?

Any news from a relative

Such as "He's bought a new car!"?

O help, my reading public!

Any item you tell is just fine.

Anything large or small will do

For part of the Guilford by-line.

Anyone had an accident

With hospital time to serve?

Anyone else have a close escape

Because of nerve to swerve?

Maybe someone had holidays

Or travelled out to the west.

Surely someone you know came first

Somebody came out best.

There's always family and grandparents, kids

Ideas here are sagging

Let me in on your relative merits;

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WEST GUILFORD

News

Eleanor Cooper

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May 8, 1:00-4:00, May 9 6:30 -9:30 **RUG HOOKING WORKSHOP** Rail's End Gallery 457-2330 to register

May 8, 7:30p.m. **SPRING BRIDGE & EUCHRE NIGHT** Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary, Birchpoint Lodge, County Rd 18. Proceeds to Hear Monitor. Prizes, Lunch, \$5.

May 9 **EVENING WALK AT SNOWDON PARK** Bring binoculars & field guides. Meet at Snowdon at 6:00pm. For directions call 447-2348

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